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P R E F A C E



THE present volume of the Catalogue of the Arabic and Persian Manuscripts in the Oriental Public Library, Bankipore, is the first of two volumes that are to be devoted to Arabic works relating to the Quranic Science, a branch of Arabic literature in which the Library is well represented.

The Library is especially rich in fine copies of the Qurân, some of them from the pens of famous calligraphers, as for instance, Yâqût al-Musta'simî, Mîr 'Alî al-Kâtib at-Tabrizî, 'Abdalbâqî Haddâd, Qâdî 'Ismatallâh Khân, and 'Ismatallâh Yâqût Raqam. One copy of the Qurân (No. 1204), arranged according to the chronological order of revelation, and containing two additional Sûrahs, deserves special mention.

The present volume contains notices of 206 MSS., arranged under the following headings :—

The Qurân.

Various Readings of the Qurân.

Orthography of the Qurân.

Pronunciation of the Qurân.

This volume, like vols xii and xv, is the work of Maulavi Muinuddin Nadwi, and it will be found that the high level of scholarship reached in those two volumes has been well maintained in this later one. Most encouraging to the Maulavi has been the praise extended to him by eminent scholars in India and abroad.

Of the MSS. noticed in the present volume, the following may be mentioned as the most interesting and most worthy of attention :—

- No. 1118. A very fine and exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân, from the pen of Yâqût al-Musta'simî, the celebrated calligrapher of Bagdâd.
- No. 1127. A roll of very thin and fine parchment, containing the whole Qurân.
- No. 1132. An extremely valuable and very splendid copy of the Qurân, which was once purchased by Mîr Mannû, the Governor of Lahore, for Rs. 3,070.

- No. 1171. A very fine and beautifully written copy of the Qurân in 30 foll., from the pen of 'Abdalbâqî Ḥaddâd, the celebrated calligrapher of Harât.
- No. 1172. A richly illuminated pocket-Qurân, from the pen of the same 'Abdalbâqî Ḥaddâd
- Nos. 1179-1181 An exceedingly valuable and very splendid copy of the Qurân, from the pen of Qâdî 'Iṣmatallâh Khân, a calligrapher of great reputation and skill, complete in three separate volumes
- No. 1183. An elegant copy of the Qurân, from the pen of 'Iṣmatallâh, a calligrapher of considerable reputation, who flourished in the time of Nawwâb Shujâ'addawlah of Audh.
- No. 1184 A very fine copy of the Qurân, from the pen of Shaiikh 'Abdalmajid, the son of Mullâ Aḥmad Jiwan, the tutor of the Emperor Aurangzib
- No. 1198. A very splendid and exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân. prepared for Bâdshâh Begam, the mother of Âṣafaddawlah of Audh
- Nos. 1211-1212 A very rare and old copy of the first two parts of Abû 'Alî al-Fârisî's Kitâb al-Ḥujjah, bearing notes by several eminent scholars, including Tâjaddîn al-Kindî.
- No. 1213. A rare copy of Ibn Jinnî's Al-Muḥtasib, dated A.H. 1068=A.D. 1657.
- No. 1235. A very old and remarkable copy of Abu't-Tâhir Ismâ'il as-Saraqustî's Kitâb al-'Unwân, transcribed by 'Abdalqawî al-Anmâtî, a great Qurân-Reader of Egypt, in A.H. 632=A.D. 1234.
- No. 1236 A very rare and fairly old copy of Ibn Siwâr al-Baghdâdî's Al-Mustanîr.
- No. 1239 A very old copy of 'Iqd al-La'âlî, transcribed from the author's original draft by his pupil, Shihâbaddîn Aḥmad al-Abyârî, in A.H. 716=A.D. 1316
- No. 1240 A very old and remarkable copy of Nukat al-Amâlî, dated A.H. 716=A.D. 1316, bearing a note by the celebrated traditionist Ibrâhîm al-Qalqashandî.
- No. 1242. A rare and old copy of Mustalîḥ al-Ishârât, dated A.H. 787=A.D. 1385, and collated with the author's original draft.
- No. 1281. A very old and remarkable copy of As-Sakhâwî's Al-Wasilah Ilâ Kashf al-'Aqilah, dated A.H. 807=A.D. 1405, which once belonged to Mulla 'Alî al-Qârî, a distinguished scholar of Harât, and then to the library of 'Abdarrahîm Khân Khân Khânân, the first prime minister of the Emperor Akbar.

No. 1283. The unique copy of *Rawdat at-Tarâ'if*, dated A.H. 726 = A.D. 1325, bearing the author's autograph note to the effect that the MS. was read in his presence.

I would take this opportunity of recording our gratitude for the valuable help rendered in the work of compiling the Bankipore Catalogue by the late Mr. E. A. Horne, who kept up his old association with the Library, and especially with the Cataloguing work, even after leaving Patna for Aligarh. Under his supervision the preparation of the Catalogue of the Arabic MSS progressed so rapidly, that the whole Catalogue is now nearing completion. The present volume was revised by him in manuscript; while Dr Azimuddin Ahmad very kindly read it in proof.

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Butler Palace, Lucknow.

June 28, 1930.

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ARABIC MANUSCRIPTS.



QURANIC SCIENCE.

THE QURÂN.

No. 1116.

fol. 256 ; lines 20 ; size $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$; $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

القرآن

AL-QURÂN.

A very old pocket-Qurân.

Written in small and close Kûfi, with vowels marked by red dots. The titles of the Sûrahs are in thick Kûfi, sketched in black and filled with gold. The *Rukû'* (section) is marked by a marginal ornament. Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained. Fol. 256^b has been rendered quite illegible. The first three folios are supplied by a later hand.

Not dated ; probably 9th century.

No. 1117.

fol. 1 ; lines 8 ; size $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $4 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A leaf of the Qurân pasted on a rectangular piece of glass. It contains verses 35-38 of *Sûratu Ibrâhîm* (chapter xiv).

Written in thick Kûfi, with vowels marked by red dots.

Not dated ; probably 9th century.

No. 1118.

fol. 499 ; lines 9 ; size $10\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

An extremely valuable and very fine copy of the Qurân, from the pen of Jamâladdîn Abu'd-Durr Yâqût bin 'Abdallâh, surnamed Al-Musta'simî, a calligrapher of the highest repute and skill. It was he who improved the form of the Arabic character after Ibn Bawwâb (*d.* A.H. 423=A.D. 1032), and rendered it more regular and simple. According to the author of Taḍkirah-i-Khushnawisân, it is his system (of written characters) which is yet followed ; but none has ever reached or pretended to reach his pitch of excellence. Amîn Aḥmad Râzî (*d.* A.H. 1002=A.D. 1593), in the Haft Iqlîm, p. 117, tells us that, in his time, a specimen of Al-Musta'simî's writing was as rare and precious as a gem. He lived in Bagdâd, where he died in A.H. 698=A.D. 1298. See Al-Khamîs, vol. ii, fol. 222^b ; Dustûr al-ʿIlâm, fol. 155^a ; Taḍkirah-i Khushnawisân, p. 24 ; and Brock., vol. i, p. 353. See also Muġmal Faṣîḥî, fol. 199^b, where it is stated that he died in Rabî' I, A.H. 697=A.D. 1297.

Written in a very fine, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and blue ruled borders ; the first, the middle and the last lines of every page being in a very beautiful large Suls character, enclosed by illuminated borders of floral design. The titles of the Sûrahs, including the number of verses contained in each Sûrah, are written in elegant Raihân, in gold. The verses are divided by gold roses. The first two pages are richly illuminated.

Nine folios, after fol. 313, containing the last 19 verses of the *Sûrat an-Naml* (chapter xxvii) and the first 75 verses of the *Sûrat al-Qiṣaṣ* (chapter xxviii) are wanting.

The colophon, written within illuminated borders, runs thus :—

كتبه العبد الفقير الى الله الغنى يافوت المستعصي في اواخر شهر
رمضان المبارك من سنة ثمان و ستين و ستمائة حامدا على نعمه و مصليا
على نبيه محمد و آله و مسلما كثيرا *

Dated A.H. 668=A.D. 1269.

The title-page contains a seal, bearing the name of Zibaddawlah Murîd Khân, dated A.H. 1170=A.D. 1757.

No. 1119.

fol. 12 ; lines 11 ; size $10\frac{3}{4} \times 7$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

The Same.

The fifth *Juz* (part) of the Qurân.

Written in a very excellent, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders ; the first, the middle and the last lines of every page being in a large and very beautiful Sulṣ character. The first page is richly and tastefully illuminated. The verses are separated by gilt circles, while marginal ornaments are employed to mark the end of every five and ten verses.

Not dated ; probably 14th century.

No. 1120.

fol. 464 ; lines 15 ; size $14\frac{1}{2} \times 10$; $11\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version.

The text is written in a distinct and bold character, intermediate between Kûfi and Naskh, within black and double red ruled borders. The vowel-markings are somewhat peculiar. A small circle is used for *Jazm*. The signs of *Waqf*, *Waṣl*, *Imâlah*, etc., are supplied in red. The beginning of each *Juz* is written in gold, and marked in the margin by a conical ornament. The titles of the Sûrahs, indicating in each case whether it was revealed at Mecca or Medina, and the number of verses contained in each Sûrah, are in gold, within illuminated borders. Marginal ornaments are employed to mark the end of the first quarter, half and third quarter of each *Juz*. The verses are separated by yellow roses. The word **الله** is always in gold.

The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Naskh, in red.

Fol. 1-52 are supplied in a later hand.

Not dated ; probably 14th century.

An *Arddidah*, dated A.H. 989=A.D. 1581, is found at the end.

Fol. 382^a contains a seal bearing the inscription.....**در کعبه** **نادر**, dated A.H. 993=A.D. 1585.

No. 1121.

fol. 33 ; lines 7 ; size 15×10 ; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6$.

The Same.

A very short fragment of the Qurân, containing verses 25-143 of *Sûrat an-Nisâ'* (chapter iv).

Written in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders. The verses are divided by beautifully illuminated circles, while conical and oblong marginal ornaments, enclosing the words خمس and عشر, respectively, are employed to mark the end of every five and ten verses.

Not dated ; probably 15th century.

No. 1122.

fol. 57 ; lines 5 ; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $7 \times 4\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A fragment of the Qurân, extending from the 32nd verse of *Sûrat az-Zumar* (chapter xxxix) to the 46th verse of *Sûratu Hâ Mim* (chapter xli).

Written in a very elegant, large and fully vocalised Şulṣ, within gold and black ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are separated by gilt roses, while marginal ornaments are employed to mark the end of every five and ten verses.

Not dated ; probably 15th century.

No. 1123.

fol. 206 ; lines 13 ; size $14\frac{3}{4} \times 11$; $13\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version ; complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning with *Sûrat al-Fâtihah* (chapter i), and breaking off abruptly with the following words of the 4th verse of *Sûratu Maryam* (chapter xix):—

قَالَ رَبِّ إِنِّي وَهَنَ الْعَظْمُ مِنِّي وَاسْتَعَلَ الرَّأْسُ شَيْبًا وَلَمْ أَكُنْ
بَدْعًا نِكَ *

No. 1124.

foll. 210 ; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning at the point where the first volume ends in the 4th verse of *Sûratu Maryam* (chapter xix), and extending to the end of the Qurân.

Both volumes are written in fair, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within double red ruled borders.

The interlinear Persian version is written in small and cursive Naskh.

Dated Friday, the 18th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 872=A.D. 1467.

Scribe : أحمد بن محمود بن فضل الله بن شمس الدين بن أحمد ساماني.

At the end is a note, dealing with the method of consulting the Qurân for omens.

The MS. was presented by Shah Muḥammad Kamâl of Patna on the 8th June, 1916.

No. 1125.

foll. 403 ; lines 15 ; size $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; $2\frac{1}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very small pocket-Qurân.

Written in elegant, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders. The beginning of each *Juz* is written in gold, and marked by marginal ornaments. The

titles of the Sûrahs are in gold on a blue ground. The verses are separated by gilt circles. Water-stained and slightly worm-eaten.

Foll. 1-2, 10, 50-51, 119, 244-245 and 339 are supplied by a later hand.

Not dated ; probably 15th century.

No. 1126.

foll. 439 ; lines 17 ; size $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$; $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1$.

The Same.

A very valuable and fine pocket-Qurân.

Written on gold-sprinkled parchment, in a very minute but fully vocalised and elegant Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in Şulş, being in white on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gilt circles.

Not dated ; probably 15th century.

No. 1127.

A roll of very thin and fine parchment 52 feet long and $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. wide.

The Same

An exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân.

Written in a very minute Naskh, within gold-ruled borders ; with an illuminated frontispiece.

Not dated ; probably 15th century.

No. 1128.

foll. 381 ; lines 11 ; size $12\frac{3}{4} \times 9$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very elegant copy of the Qurân.

Written in excellent, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh within gold and blue ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân.,

The first, middle and last lines of every page are in large *Sulṣ*. The titles of the *Sûrahs* are in gold within illuminated borders. The verses are separated by gilt circles; while marginal ornaments, circular and conical, respectively, are employed to mark the end of every five and ten verses. The beginning of each *Juz*, in some cases written in gold, is marked in the margin by an oblong ornament

Dated Saturday, the 30th Rajab, A.H. 901=A.D. 1496.

Scribe : أحمد بن محمود الحلاق.

No. 1129.

fol. 445; lines 17; size $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; $3\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

Written in a character intermediate between *Kûfî* and *Naskh*, within gold and black ruled borders. The word *الله* is always in red. The beginning of each *Juz* is written in light blue, and marked in the margin by a conical ornament. The titles of the *Sûrahs* are in red on a gold ground; but in some cases the spaces have been left blank. The verses are divided by gilt circles, while the *Rukû'* (section) is marked in the margin by a larger illuminated circle. Fol. 1^b, 2^a, 219^b, 220^a, 444^b, and 445^a are richly illuminated

Not dated; probably 16th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by Sayyed Safdar Nawwâb of Patna.

No. 1130.

fol. 107; size $1\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$; $1\frac{1}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very small pocket-Qurân.

Written on hexagonally cut pages, in a very minute and rather cursive *Naskh*. Every page is divided into eleven compartments, each containing a verse of the Qurân; written alternately in red and black. Numerous folios seem to be wanting, *passim*.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

No. 1131.

fol. 200 ; lines 15 ; size $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$; $2\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A pocket-Qurân.

Written in elegant, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold-ruled borders ; with an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are separated by red dots. A seriously damaged and dilapidated copy.

Not dated ; probably 16th century.

No. 1132.

fol. 232 ; lines 15 ; size $13\frac{1}{4} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A valuable and splendid copy of the Qurân.

Written in elegant, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh on thick paper, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The MS, opens with a double page, containing *Sûrat al-Fâtihah* (chapter i) written in Sulṣ, white on a gold ground, and enclosed within richly illuminated borders. The margins of the next two pages are covered by elaborate and rich ornament, while the interlinear spaces are filled with a floral design in colours, and underneath it a gold line. The titles of the Sûrahs are in beautiful Sulṣ, white on a gold ground, but in some cases black on a blue ground. The verses are separated by gilt roses. Marginal ornaments, oblong and octangular, respectively, are employed to mark the end of every five and ten verses.

The last four pages contain a Persian poem, entitled *فالناسم* *كلام الله المجيد*, dealing with the method of consulting the Qurân for omens, beginning as follows :—

هر که از قرآن کشاید فال خویش
بی‌شکی واقف شود از حال خویش

The poem is written in a very elegant Nasta'liq, one line in gold on a blue ground and the next in white on a gold ground, the whole enclosed within richly illuminated borders.

In the colophon, dated A.H. 982=A.D. 1575, the scribe gives his name as Mir 'Alī al-Kâtib at-Tabrizî. He must not be confounded

with his namesake, the celebrated inventor of the Nasta'liq character, who was a contemporary of Kamâl Khujandî (d. A.H. 803=A.D. 1401).

A fly-leaf at the beginning contains a *Maṣnawî* comprising the titles of 114 Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Beginning :—

جملگی سورهائی قرآنی
گفت عامم برسم لقمائی

According to a note on the same fly-leaf, the present copy was once purchased by Mîr Mannû for Rs. 3,070. This Mîr Mannû, surnamed Mu'in al-Mulk Rustam Hind, was the son of I'timâddawlah Qamaraddîn Khân. He was appointed Governor of Lahore by Ahmad Shâh, the Emperor of Delhi, after the battle of Sarhind against Ahmad Shâh Abdâlî, in which battle Mîr Mannû's father was killed, A.H. 1161=A.D. 1748. He died suddenly in A.H. 1167=A.D. 1754. See Beale's Oriental Biographical Dictionary, p. 277.

No. 1133.

fol. 8 ; lines 12 ; size 8½ × 6 ; 6½ × 4.

The Same.

A MS. containing the following five Sûrahs of the Qurân :—

1. *Sûrat al-Fath* (chapter xlviii).
2. *Sûrat al-Wâq'ah* (chapter lvi).
3. *Sûrat al-Jumu'ah* (chapter lxii).
4. *Sûrat al-Muzzammil* (chapter lxxiii).
5. *Sûrat an-Naba'* (chapter lxxviii).

The scribe has confounded the titles of the last two Sûrahs mentioned above ; the correct title of Sûrah lxxviii has been given to Sûrah lxxiii, and *vice versâ*.

Written in large, elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders ; with an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in Sulṣ, white on a gold ground. The verses are divided by gold roses. The margins are covered with a floral design in gold. The interlinear spaces of the first two pages are richly illuminated.

No. 1134.

foll. 29 ; lines 8 ; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; $4\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

The Same.

The *Sûrat al-An'âm* (chapter vi), complete

Written in fair vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders ; with an illuminated frontispiece. The verses are separated by gold roses.

Not dated ; probably 16th century.

The title-page contains a seal of the library attached to the tomb of Khwâjah Mu'inaddin Chishtî (d. A.H. 633 = A.D. 1236), the celebrated saint of Ajmer.

No. 1135.

A roll of thin paper 31 feet long and $4\frac{1}{4}$ in. wide.

The Same.

The formula *Bismillâh* $\text{بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم و به نستعين}$ is followed by the ninety-nine names of God and the names of the twelve Imâms, all written in large letters outlined in gold. Within these letters is contained, in minute writing, the text of the Qurân. Portions of the text are also contained within the floral designs, which separate the different names of God and of the Imâms, and in the borders surrounding those names. The names of God are written across the page in Nasta'liq, while those of the Imâms are written up and down the page in Naskh. The text of the Qurân is written in a very minute and closely written Naskh.

Not dated ; probably 16th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by Nawwâb Sayyid Mustafâ 'Ali Khân of Patna.

No. 1136.

foll. 659 ; lines 8 ; size 19×13 ; 13×7 .

The Same.

A valuable large-size Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version and marginal notes, also in Persian.

The text is written in large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The first two pages are richly illuminated. The four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked by elaborate and beautiful marginal ornaments. The titles of the *Sûrahs* are in red, enclosed within ornamental borders. The verses are separated by circles filled with gold. The end of the first half of the *Qurân* is marked by a beautiful ornament in the margin of fol. 313^a.

The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant Nasta'liq, in red, within gold and coloured ruled borders.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the *Qurân*.

Not dated ; probably 16th century

The MS. is bound in painted and glazed covers of Kāshmir workmanship.

No. 1137.

fol. 686 ; lines 11 ; size $17\frac{1}{4} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable and very splendid copy of the *Qurân*, with a Persian version in the margins.

The text is written in elegant and fully vocalised Naskh. The first, the middle and the last lines of every page are in beautiful *Sulṣ* on a gold ground, enclosed within rich borders containing elaborate designs in gold and colours. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The first double page at the beginning of each *Juz* is very richly and tastefully illuminated. The first line of the second, third and fourth quarters of every *Juz* is written in red ink ; and these divisions are marked in the margin by special ornaments.

The titles of the *Sûrahs* are in white on a black ground. The verses are separated by illuminated circles.

The Persian version is written in the margins in good Nasta'liq in blue, within richly illuminated borders.

Not dated ; probably 16th century.

No. 1138.

fol. 315 ; lines 11 ; size $15\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$; $9 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with a Persian commentary in the margins, by Kamâladdîn Ḥusain bin 'Alî al-Wâ'iz al-Kâshifi (d. A.H. 910=A.D. 1504), entitled *Al-Mawâhib al-'Alîyah*.

Complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning with *Sûrat al-Fâtikah* (chapter i) and ending with the 68th verse of *Sûrat al-Kahf* (chapter xviii).

The Persian commentary, which has been repeatedly printed in India, begins thus :—

بعد از تمهید فوائد الهی و تأسیس مبانی ثنا خوانی حضرت
رسالت پناهی *

No. 1139.

fol. 324 ; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning with the 84th verse of *Sûrat al-Kahf* (chapter xviii), and extending to the end of the Qurân.

The 69th to 83rd verses of *Sûrat al-Kahf* are wanting.

Both volumes are written in a distinct and bold character, intermediate between Kûfi and Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The vowel-markings are somewhat peculiar ; and a small circle is used for *Jazm*. The signs of *Waqf*, *Wasl*, *Imâlah*, etc., are supplied by a later hand in red. The letters و, ک, ص, د are considerably drawn out. The verses are separated by gilt roses. The *Rukû'* (section) is marked by an illuminated circle, which contains the letter ع in gold. The end of the first and the third quarters of each *Juz* is distinguished by larger illuminated circles ; while the end of the first half of each *Juz* is marked by a beautiful conical ornament. The titles of the *Sûrahs* are in gold, within illuminated borders. The middle and the last lines of every page are written in red. The

beginning of each *Juz* is in gold. The word الله and some other words and phrases in the text are also in gold. The margins of the first double page of each *Juz* are tastefully illuminated.

The Persian commentary is written in fair Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Not dated ; probably 16th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by Muḥammad Ridâ of Patna.

No. 1140.

fol. 121 ; lines 25 ; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Written in fair and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The beginning of every *Juz* (part), *Sûrah* (chapter) and *Rukû* (section) is written in red ink, and is marked in the margins by ornaments of various designs. The titles of the *Sûrahs* are in red on a gold ground. The verses are divided by circles filled with gold. Water-stained.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurân.

Not dated ; probably 16th century.

No. 1141.

fol. 15 ; lines 7 ; size $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $4 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Sûratu Yâsîn (chapter xxxvi), complete.

Written in elegant Naskh, fully vocalised, within gold and blue ruled borders.

On fol. 13^b-14^a, *Sûrat al-Ikhlâs* (chapter cxii) is written in five characters, viz., (i) *Tuğrâ* ; (ii) *Şulṣ* ; (iii) *Raiḥân* ; (iv) *Kûfi* ; and (v) *Nasta'liq*. Fol. 14^b contains آية الكرسي. On fol. 15^a the scribe has written the words تمت تمام شد in *Nasta'liq* with his finger-nail.

No. 1142.

fol. 447 ; lines 11 ; size $12 \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same

Written in fair and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The first four pages are richly illuminated. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gilt circles. The *Rukû'* (section) is marked in the margin by a larger illuminated circle. The four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked in the margins by ornaments of various designs.

Dated A.H. 1014 = A.D. 1605.

Scribe : محمد طاهر النبرزي النبرزي.

A double page, consisting of two fly-leaves at the beginning, is very richly and fancifully illuminated. This has evidently been supplied by a later hand, and contains a genealogical table of Abu'l-Muzaffar Jalâladdin Muhammad Shâh 'Âlam Bâdshâh Gâzî (A.H. 1173-1221 = A.D. 1759-1806).

Three fly-leaves at the end contain a table of the Sûrahs of the Qurân and the ninety-nine names of God.

No. 1143.

fol. 525 ; lines 9 ; size $11 \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A very splendid copy of the Qurân, with some Persian notes in the margins.

Written in fine and fully vocalised Suls, within gold and coloured ruled borders, with gold-sprinkled margins. The text is amply provided with vowel points and diacritical marks. The first double page, which contains *Sûrat al-Fâtihah* (chapter i), is written in white on a gold ground. The two double pages, which follow, are richly illuminated. The verses are divided by gold roses. The end of every five verses is marked in the margin by illuminated circles, and the end of every ten verses by floral ornaments. The beginning of each *Juz* is in red. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground, within ornamental borders. The numbers of words and letters, contained in each Sûrah, are noted in red ink in the margin.

Foll. 166^a-186^b, which were wanting in the original MS., have

been supplied by a later hand; in good imitation of the older writing, but without any ornaments.

The last two folios contain a note, dealing with the orthographical signs generally used in the Qurân for indicating the correct pronunciation.

In the margin of fol 522^b is a prayer to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

Dated the 23rd Şafar, A.H. 1016=A.D. 1607.

Scribe : شمس الدين على الكاتب الشيرازى.

No. 1144.

fol. 416 ; lines 11 ; size $14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{1}{4}$; $5 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with the *Tafsîr Husainî* of Al-Kâshifî (d. A.H. 910=A.D. 1504) in the margins.

The text is written in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The margins of the first double page are covered with floral ornaments in gold. The second double page is tastefully illuminated.

The *Tafsîr Husainî*, contained in the margins, is written in fair small Naskh, in three slanting columns.

The MS., which is dated A.H. 1064=A.D. 1653, was transcribed by Sharafaddîn bin Yâsîn al-Haddâd, as appears from the following colophon :—

وفت اتمام كتابة التفسير دعون الملك الخبير على يد العبد الضعيف
الراجى بعناية رحمة الله الملك المبين شرف الدين ابن مستخدم المرحوم
المبرور شيخه يسرى المعروف الحداد يوم الاربعاء سلخ من شهر
شعبان المعظم سنة اربع و ستين و الف من الهجرة النبوية *

Foll. 412^b–416^b contain an extract from the *Rawḍat al-Aḥbâb* of ‘Aṭâ’allâh bin Faḍlallâh al-Husainî (d. A.H. 926=A.D. 1520), treating of the Prophet’s last illness and of his death.

No. 1145.

foll. 212 ; lines 17 ; size $7 \times 4\frac{3}{4}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Written in good, close and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are divided by gilt roses ; and the end of every ten verses is marked in the margin by the word عشر. The signs of *Madd*, *Wasl*, *Waqf*, etc., are in red.

Dated Sunday, the 1st Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 1086 = A.D. 1675.

Scribe : عبد العظيم بن علي رضا الرضوي القمي.

The seals of Nawwâb Sayyid Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City are found on the title-page as well as at the end.

No. 1146.

foll. 474 ; lines 12 ; size $6 \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $3\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

Written on gold-sprinkled paper in elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold, black and blue ruled borders. The first double page is tastefully illuminated ; and this is followed by an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The verses are divided by gilt roses. The four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked by appropriate ornaments in the margins.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

Dated A.H. 1101 = A.D. 1689.

No. 1147.

foll. 46 ; lines 11 ; size $11 \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $8 \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A fragment of the Qurân, containing Sûrah ii, 123-189 (foll. 21^a-30^b) ; ii, 245-iii, 86 (foll. 1^a-20^b) ; vii, 131-201 (foll. 31^a-40^b) ; and x, 24-77 (foll. 41^a-46^b).

Written in fair and vocalised Naskh, one line on a gold and the next on a silver ground. The verses are separated by red dots.

Foll 1-20 have been wrongly placed after fol. 30.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1148.

foll. 24 ; lines 9 ; size $7\frac{1}{4} \times 5$; 5×3 .

The Same.

A collection of five Sûrahs of the Qurân, viz., xxxvi ; xlviii ; lvi ; lxvii ; and lxxviii.

Written on thick card-board in elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders and illuminated margins ; with an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The *Rukû* (section) is marked by an octangular ornament in the margin. The verses are separated by gold roses. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by Sayyid Şafdar Nawwâb of Patna.

No. 1149.

foll. 13 ; lines 11 ; size $9 \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A collection of four Sûrahs of the Qurân, viz., xxxvi ; lvi ; lxvii ; and lxxviii.

Written in elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within beautifully illuminated borders ; the first, the middle and the last lines in every page being in large Şulş. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The verses are divided by circles filled with gold. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold.

An illuminated fly-leaf at the end contains several prayers to be recited on various occasions.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1150.

fol. 77 ; lines 9 ; size $6 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$; $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2$.

The Same.

A defective copy of the Qurân. Sûrahs i-xvii, xix-xxxv xxxvii-xlvi, xlix-liv, lxviii-lxx, lxxii and lxxiv-lxxvii are wanting.

Written in fair vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders ; with an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are separated by gilt circles. Slightly worm eaten.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1151.

fol. 26 ; lines 7 ; size 9×5 ; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A collection of five Sûrahs of the Qurân, viz., xxxvi ; xlviii lvi ; lxvii ; and lxxviii.

Written in fair vocalised Nasta'liq, within gold and coloured ruled borders ; with an illuminated frontispiece. The interlinear spaces in the first two pages are filled with gold. The verses are divided by gold roses.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1152.

fol. 20 ; lines 9 ; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

The same five Sûrahs of the Qurân as in the preceding MS.

Written in elegant vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders ; with an illuminated frontispiece. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The *Rukû'* (section) is marked by an illuminated circle in the margin. The verses are separated by gold roses.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1153.

foll. 45 ; lines 6 ; size $5 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$; $3\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

The same five Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Written in Naskh on paper of various colours.

Foll. 19-24 are seriously worm-eaten.

According to a note on the title-page, the first half of the MS. was written by Mir Mahdî, and the rest by Mir Ja'far.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

The seals of Nawwâb Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb, are found on the title-page.

The MS. was presented to the library by Khân Bahâdur Muḥammad Ismâ'îl.

No. 1154.

foll. 10 ; lines 18 ; size $4 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

The same five Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Written in small, elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The margins are filled with a floral design in gold. The verses are separated by circles filled with gold.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

The title-page contains the seals of Nawwâb Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb.

No. 1155.

foll. 311 ; lines 12 ; size $13\frac{1}{2} \times 9$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very splendid and exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân, with some Persian notes in the margins.

Written in good Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The interlinear

spaces are beautifully filled with gold. The first two pages are profusely illuminated. The titles of the Sûrahs are in elaborate Şuls character, within ornamental borders. The verses are divided by gold roses. The end of every five and ten verses is marked in the margin by conical ornaments and illuminated circles, respectively.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurân.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1156.

foll. 660 ; lines 8 : size $14\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{4}$; $11 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A valuable and splendid copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version and marginal notes, also in Persian.

The text is written in large, thick and fully vocalised Şuls, within gold and coloured ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs, indicating in each case whether it was revealed at Mecca or Medina, and giving the number of verses contained in each Sûrah, are in gold. The verses are separated by circles filled with gold. The margins of the double page at the beginning of the 15th Juz are covered with elaborate ornaments in gold.

The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant Nasta'liq, in red ink, within ornamental borders. The interlinear spaces of the marginal notes are beautifully filled with gold.

Foll. 146-153 are badly water-stained.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

A fly-leaf at the beginning contains a note dealing with the method of consulting the Qurân for omens. It also contains a prayer to be recited prior to the reading of the Qurân.

A fly-leaf at the end, the margin of which is covered with floral ornaments in gold, contains a prayer to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurân.

No. 1157.

fol. 408 ; lines 14 ; size $4 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A fine pocket-Qurân.

Written on a gold ground in elegant, small and closely written Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1158.

fol. 223 ; lines 19 ; size $2\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$; $2 \times 1\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very small pocket-Qurân.

Written on gold-sprinkled paper in small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are divided by gold roses. Slightly worm-eaten.

Three fly-leaves at the beginning contain a prayer to be recited prior to the reading of the Qurân, while three at the end contain a Persian poem on the method of consulting the Qurân for omens. The poem begins thus :—

هر که از فرمان کساید فال خویش
بی شکی واقف شود از حال خویش

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1159.

fol. 220 ; lines 19 ; size $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$; $3 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable and very fine pocket-Qurân.

Written on gold-sprinkled paper in elegant, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders ;

with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are divided by gold roses.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by Sayyid Şafdar Nawwâb of Patna City.

No. 1160.

fol. 60 ; lines 29 ; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $9 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A valuable copy of the Qurân in 60 foll.

Written in small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders. Each of the thirty *Juz* of the Qurân, although they vary in length, has been skilfully accommodated within four pages. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The verses are divided by gilt circles.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1161.

fol. 342 ; lines 12 ; size $10 \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

The Same.

A valuable copy of the Qurân.

Written in elegant Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within illuminated borders. The first two pages, as well as the last two, are profusely illuminated. The title-page and a fly-leaf opposite it are covered with elaborate ornaments in gold and colours. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The *Rukû'* (section) is marked in the margin by a larger illuminated circle, enclosing the letter ع in red. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground.

Three fly-leaves at the beginning contain a table of the Sûrahs and 114 names of God.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

Scribe : عبد الله.

A seal bearing the inscription سلطان محمد سليمان مرزاي مغوي الموسوي الحسنی, dated A.H. 1130=A.D. 1718, is found at the end.

No. 1162.

fol. 30 ; lines 49 ; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân in 30 foll.

Written in elegant, small and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The first, the middle and the last lines of every page are in bold Naskh on a gold ground, within black and blue ruled borders. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold, while the margins are covered with ornaments in gold and colours.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

The seals of Nawwâb Sayyid Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb, are found on the title-page as well as at the end.

No. 1163.

fol. 32 ; lines 41 ; size $10\frac{1}{4} \times 7$; $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A very fine and exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân in 32 foll.

Written in minute, but fully vocalised and legible Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The beginning of each *Juz* and the titles of the Sûrahs are in red. Foll. 1^b, 2^a, 16^b, 17^a, 31^b, and 32^a are tastefully illuminated. The margins are covered with floral designs in gold. The first two pages as well as the last two are filled with elaborate floral ornaments in gold and colours.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1164.

fol. 30 ; lines 41 ; size $10 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A fairly old and valuable copy of the Qurân in 30 foll., with some marginal notes.

Written in minute, but fully vocalised and elegant Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece. The beginning of each *Juz* and the titles of the *Sûrahs* are in red. The margins are covered with floral designs in gold. Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1165.

fol. 233; lines 11; 'size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 8$; 10×6 .

The Same.

A copy of the *Qurân*, with an interlinear Persian version; complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning with *Sûrat al-Fâtihah* (chapter i) and ending with *Sûrat an-Nahl* (chapter xvi).

No. 1166.

fol. 285; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning with *Sûratu Banî Isrâ'il* (chapter xvii) and extending to the end of the *Qurân*.

Both volumes are written in fair and fully vocalised Naskh, within red and blue ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The first, the middle and the last lines of every page are in large *Suls*. The titles of the *Sûrahs* are in red. The verses are separated by gilt circles.

The interlinear Persian version is written in Nasta'liq, in red. Slightly worm-eaten.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1167.

foll. 181 ; lines 17 ; size $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; 2×2 .

The Same.

Written in small, closely written and fairly vocalised Naskh.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1168.

foll. 329 ; lines 8 ; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{1}{2} \times 7$.

The Same.

A valuable copy of the Qurân, complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning with *Sûrat al-Fâtihah* (chapter 1) and ending with the following words of the 76th verse of *Sûratu Banî Isrâ'il* (chapter xvii) :—

وَإِنْ كَادُوا لَيَسْتَفْرِزُونَكَ مِنَ الْأَرْضِ لِيُخْرِجُوكَ مِنْهَا وَإِذَا لَا يَلْبِثُونَ ...

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No. 1169.

foll 368 ; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning at the point where the first volume ends in the 76th verse of *Sûratu Banî Isrâ'il* and extending to the end of the Qurân.

Both volumes are written in fair, large and fully vocalised Şulş, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The verses are separated by gilt roses ; and the end of every five and ten verses is marked by the words *خمس* and *عشر*, respectively, in gold. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold within floral ornaments. The signs of *Waqf*, *Wasl*, *Madd* and *Imâlah* are supplied by a later hand in red. Foll. 1–29 are shghtly damaged.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1170.

fol. 411 ; lines 12 ; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4$.

The Same.

A very fine and valuable copy of the Qurân.

Written in good Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within illuminated borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in Sulṣ, white on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gilt circles. The *Rukû'* (section) and the four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked by larger gilt circles in the margin. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The margins of the first two pages as well those of the last two are covered with elaborate ornaments in gold and colours.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

No. 1171.

fol. 30 ; lines 41 ; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 7$; $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6$

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable and very fine copy of the Qurân in 30 foll.

According to the following colophon, dated Muharram, A.H. 1112 = A.D. 1700, this copy is from the pen of 'Abdalbâqî Haddâd, the celebrated calligrapher of Harât —

تمت هذه التسويد من كلام المجدد بحمد الله تعالى وحسن
توفيقة محرم الحرام سنة اثنى عشر و مائة و الف حامدا لله على نعمه
و مصليا على نبيه محمد و آله الطاهرين المطهرين كتبه العبد المذنب
عبد الباقي حداد *

This 'Abdalbâqî Haddâd, as stated in the *Tadkirah-i-Khush-nawisân*, p. 125, came to India in the last years of the reign of Shâhjahân (A.H. 1037-1068 = A.D. 1628-1658). He was well-skilled in writing Naskh, in which branch of calligraphy he surpassed all his contemporaries. He presented to Prince Muḥîyaddîn (afterwards Aurangzib) several specimens of his calligraphy, including two splendid copies of the Qurân, one of them being in 30 foll. (probably the

present MS.), and a copy of the *Ṣaḥīfah* of Imâm Zain al-‘Âbidîn (see Hand-list, No. 1471). He was honoured by Shâhjahân with the title of Yâqût-Raqam. Subsequently he left India to return to his home in Harât, leaving at Delhi a number of eminent pupils, some of whom also received the titles of Yâqût-Raqam and Yâqût-Raqam Khân. He was alive up to A.H. 1114=A.D. 1702, in which year he completed another copy of the Qurân (No. 1172 below). The exact date of his death and further particulars of his life are not known.

Written in small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders. Each of the thirty *Juz* of the Qurân, although they vary in length, has been very skilfully accommodated within two pages. The verse's are divided by small gilt circles. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The interlinear spaces in the first two pages are filled with gold.

Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained.

No. 1172.

fol. 372 ; lines 12 ; size $5\frac{3}{4} \times 4$; $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A valuable and elegant pocket-Qurân.

Written by the same ‘Abdalbâqî Haddâd on a gold ground in small and close Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The first two pages are profusely illuminated. The beginnings of the four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked by ornaments in the margin. The end of each verse is marked by a cross in red. The signs of *Waqf*, *Wasl*, *Madd*, *Imâlah*, etc., are in red. The titles of the Sûrahs are also in red.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurân.

Dated A.H. 1114=A.D. 1702.

The MS. was presented by Faql Imâm Khân Bahadur of Neora, near Patna.

No. 1173.

fol. 14 ; lines 13 ; size $7 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; 5×3 .

The Same.

A collection of five Sûrahs, viz., xxxvi ; xlviii ; lvi ; lxvii ; and lxxviii.

Written in fair and vocalised Naskh on a gold ground, within gold and coloured ruled borders ; with an illuminated frontispiece.

Dated A.H. 1120 = A.D. 1708.

Scribe : أحمد بن ملا لقمان عالمگیری.

No. 1174.

fol. 349 ; lines 12 ; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A very splendid copy of the Qurân

Written in good and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold-ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The titles of the Sûrahs are written in an elaborate Şulş character, white on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gold roses. The margins are covered with floral ornaments. The title-page and a fly-leaf opposite it contain the following verse of the Qurân, written in white on a gold ground, within richly illuminated borders :—

فَلْ لَّانِ اجْتَمَعَتِ الْإِنْسُ وَالْجِنُّ عَلَى أَنْ يَأْتُوا بِمِثْلِ هَذَا الْقُرْآنِ
لَا يَأْتُونَ بِمِثْلِهِ وَ لَوْ كَانُ بَعْضُهُمْ لِبَعْضٍ ظَهِيرًا * ©

Dated A.H. 1135 = A.D. 1722.

Scribe : محمد رضا بن محمد بدیع الحسنی.

A second fly-leaf at the beginning contains a prayer to be recited, prior to the reading of the Qurân.

The title-page contains a seal and the signature of Ḥafizannisâ' Khâtûn, dated A.H. 1213 = A.D. 1799.

The seals of Nawwâb Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb, are found at the end.

The MS. was presented to the library by Khân Bahâdur Muhammad Ismâ'il.

No. 1175.

fol. 346 ; lines 11 ; size $12 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version and marginal notes, also in Persian

According to a note at the end, the interlinear Persian version and the marginal notes are based on a commentary on the Qurân by Âqâ Muḥammad Hâdî Mâzindarânî. The note runs thus :—

ترجمہ و حواشی از تفسیر آقا محمد ہادی مازندرانی ہمسیرہ زاد

ملا محمد نافر مجلسی نوشتہ شد *

This Âqâ Muhammad Hâdî Mâzindarânî, the son of a sister of Mullâ Muhammad Bâqir Majlisî (*d.* A.H. 1110=A.D. 1698), was an eminent Shî'ah scholar. He flourished in the earlier part of the 12th century of the Hıjrah, and wrote, besides a Persian commentary on the Qurân, a gloss upon the *Anwâr al-Tanzîl* of Al-Baidâwî (*d.* A.H. 685=A.D. 1286), and a Persian commentary on the *Shâfiyah* of Ibn al-Hâjib (*d.* A.H. 646=A.D. 1248). See *Kashf al-Hujub*, fol. 47^a and 90^a.

The text is written in fair large Naskh, with all the vowels, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The first two and the last six pages are richly illuminated. The verses are divided by gilt circles.

The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant small Nasta'liq, in red ink.

At the end there are two prayers, the first to be recited prior to the reading of the Qurân, and the other after completing its reading.

Dated Tuesday, the 14th Muḥarram, A.H. 1145=A.D. 1732.

Scribe : مقصود علی بن عدد الکریم.

No. 1176.

fol. 7 ; lines 9 ; size $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Sûrat al-Fath (chapter xlviii), complete.

Written on a gold ground in large, elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân.

Dated A.H. 1146=A.D. 1733.

Scribe : محمد رضا بن محمد تقى التبريزى.

The title-page contains, besides two '*Arddidah*', the following three seals.

1. A seal bearing the name of Muḥammad Ṣibgatallāh Khān, dated A.H. 1182=A.D. 1768.

2. A seal bearing the name of 'Anbar 'Alī Khān, dated A.H. 1182=A.D. 1768.

3. A seal bearing the name of 'Alī Naqī, dated A.H. 1195=A.D. 1781.

No. 1177.

foll. 459 ; lines 13 ; size $7\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A very fine and valuable copy of the Qurān.

Written in elegant small Naskḥ, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within illuminated borders. Foll. 1^b-3^a, 78^b, 79^a, 153^b, 154^a, 209^b, 210^a, 274^b, 275^a, 335^a, 388^b, 389^a, 456^b and 457^a are very richly illuminated. The *Rukû'* and the four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked by marginal ornaments. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red, within ornamental borders. The verses are separated by gilt circles.

Dated A.H. 1147=A.D. 1734.

Scribe : احمد بن ملا عثمان نهرى.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurān.

No. 1178.

foll. 415 ; lines 12 ; size 20×12 ; $15 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable and splendid copy of the Qurān, with an interlinear Persian version.

The text is written on a paper of reddish tint in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskḥ, within black-ruled and broad gold borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The four main divisions of each *Juz*, the *Rukû'* (section) and the end of every five verses are marked by elaborate ornaments in the margin. The titles of the Sûrahs are

in Şulş, in gold, within beautifully illuminated borders. The verses are divided by illuminated circles.

The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Nasta'liq, in red ink.

Dated the 1st Rabî' II, A.H. 1160=A.D. 1747.

According to a note on the title-page, the MS. was once purchased by a certain Ḥasan at Shîrâz, on the 6th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1162=A.D. 1749, for Rs. 5,000.

No. 1179.

fol. 137 ; lines 11 ; size $23 \times 12\frac{1}{2}$; 17×9 .

The Same.

A very splendid and exceedingly valuable large-size Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version ; complete in three separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning with *Sûrat al-Fâtihah* (chapter i) and breaking off abruptly with the following words of the 101st verse of *Sûrat al-Barâ'at* (chapter ix):—

وَمِنْ أَهْلِ الْمَدِينَةِ مَرَدُوا *

No. 1180.

fol. 136 ; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning at the point where the first volume ends in the 101st verse of *Sûrat al-Barâ'at* (chapter ix) and breaking off abruptly with the following words of the 39th verse of *Sûrat al-'Ankabût* (chapter xxix):—

وَلَقَدْ جَاءَهُمْ مُوسَىٰ بِالْبَيِّنَاتِ *

No. 1181.

fol. 144 ; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. III.

Beginning at the point where the second volume ends in the 39th verse of *Sûrat al-'Ankabût* (chapter xxix) and extending to the end of the Qurân.

All the above three volumes are in the handwriting of Qâdî 'Ismatallâh Khân, a calligrapher of great reputation and skill, who surpassed all his contemporaries in the writing of Naskh. He died in A.H. 1186 = A.D. 1772, leaving behind him several specimens of his remarkable penmanship. See *Tadkirah-i-Khushnawîsân*, p. 127

The text is written in excellent large Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within blue-ruled and broad gold borders. The titles of the Sûrahs, indicating in each case whether it was revealed at Mecca or Medina, and giving the number of verses contained in each Sûrah, are written in a beautiful Sulṣ character, in white on a gold ground, within ornamental borders. The *Rukû'* (section) and the beginnings of the four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked by elaborate and beautiful ornaments in the margin

The first four pages of the first volume and the last two of the third volume are very richly and tastefully illuminated

The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant small Nasta'liq.

The colophon runs thus:—

کتبه هیچمدان عصمت الله خان در سنه ۱۱۸۵ هجری *

Dated A.H. 1185 = A.D. 1771

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after perusing the Qurân.

No. 1182.

fol. 177 ; lines 21 ; size $4\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; $3\frac{3}{4} \times 2$.

The Same.

A very fine pocket-Qurân.

Written in good, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders ; with a double-page

'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The verses are divided by gilt circles.

Slightly water-stained.

Dated Friday, the 2nd Shawwâl, A.H. 1195=A.D. 1781.

Scribe : محمد بن محمد ربيع الامونى .

No. 1183.

fol. 605 ; lines 9 ; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

The Same.

An exceedingly valuable copy of the Qurân.

Written in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and blue ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red, within illuminated borders. The verses are separated by gilt circles. The *Rukû'* and the four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked in the margin by larger gilt circles. The first two pages as well as the last two are richly illuminated.

At the end is a prayer. to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

The colophon runs thus :—

قد رفع الفراغ بتوفيق الله الحكيم من تحرير هذا القرآن المجيد
يهدى القريب و البعيد العبد الضعيف الذكيّف المحتاج الى رحمة الله
عصمت الله برادر زاده يافوت روم خان مرحوم عفر الله ذنوبهما *

According to the above colophon, the MS is from the pen of 'Ismatallâh, the son of the brother of Muḥammad 'Ârif, who was himself a good calligrapher and a disciple of the celebrated 'Abdal-bâqî Ḥaddâd, and was honoured by Shâh 'Âlam Bahâdur Shâh I (A.H. 1119-1124=A.D. 1707-1712) with the title of Yâqût Raqam Khân. 'Ismatallâh learnt the art of calligraphy from his afore-said uncle, and lived in the time of Nawwâb Shujâ'addawlah of Audh (A.H. 1167-1188=A.D. 1753-1775). See Taḍkirah-i-Khush-nawîsân, p. 126.

The title-page contains a seal of Bakḥshî al-Mulk Saifaddawlah Najaf Qulî Khân (d. A.H. 1205=A.D. 1790), dated A.H. 1191=A.D. 1777.

No. 1184.

fol. 436 ; lines 12 ; size 13×8 ; 9×5 .

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and marginal notes, also in Persian.

The text is written in fair bold Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The verses are separated by gilt roses. The four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked by marginal ornaments. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground, within rich borders. The title-page and a fly-leaf opposite it are occupied by geometrical and floral patterns in gold and colours. The first two pages of the MS. are richly illuminated.

The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Naskh, in red ink.

The following colophon is written in Sulṣ, white on a gold ground, within rich borders :—

كتبه الفقير الحقير الشيخ عبد المجيد ولد ملا جيون *

According to the above colophon, the MS. is from the pen of Shaikh 'Abdalmajîd, the son of Mullâ Aḥmad Jiwan of Amaithî (d. A.H. 1130=A.D. 1718), the celebrated tutor of the Emperor Aurangzib (A.H. 1069-1118=A.D. 1659-1707), and the author of several well-known works.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

The last folio contains several seals and '*Arddidah*', the earliest of which is dated A.H. 1123=A.D. 1711.

No. 1185.

fol. 225 ; lines 11 ; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

The first half of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and marginal notes, also in Persian. It extends to the end of *Sûrat al-Kahf* (chapter xviii).

The text is written in fair Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within gold and black ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in elegant Ṣulṣ, in gold. The verses are divided by

gilt circles, and the end of every five and ten verses is marked in the margin by the words *خمس* and *عشر*, respectively. The first two pages are very richly illuminated. The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant Nasta'liq, in red ink.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

The MS. was presented to the library by Sayyid Şafdar Nawwâb of Patna City.

No. 1186.

fol. 80 ; lines 11 ; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$

The Same

A fragment of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and marginal notes, also in Persian. It extends from the beginning of *Sûratu Maryam* (chapter xix) to the 56th verse of *Sûrat ar-Rûm* (chapter xxx).

The text is written in elegant Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within gold and black ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in Sulṣ, in gold. The verses are separated by gilt circles, and the end of every five and ten verses is marked in the margin by the words *خمس* and *عشر*, respectively, in gold.

The interlinear Persian version is written in elegant small Nasta'liq, in red ink.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

No. 1187.

foil. 33 ; lines 11 ; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 6$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A fragment of the Qurân, extending from the 46th verse of *Sûrat al-Ankabût* (chapter xxix) to the 27th verse of *Sûratu Yâsin* (chapter xxxvi).

Written in fair Naskh, with all the vowels, within yellow and black ruled borders. The first double-page and the last are richly illuminated. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The verses are separated by gilt circles.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

The title-page contains the seals of Nawwâb Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb.

The MS. was presented to the library by Khân Bahâdur Muḥammad Ismâ'îl.

No. 1188.

fol. 22; lines 14-16; size $21\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$; $19\frac{1}{4} \times 10\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A MS. containing several short extracts from various *Sûrahs* of the *Qurân*, with an interlinear Persian version, and marginal notes, also in Persian.

Written in fair, large and vocalised *Naskh* on a gold ground, within illuminated borders. The last seven folios are written in *Ṣuls*, in white on a crimson ground.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1189.

fol. 151; lines 11; size $14\frac{3}{4} \times 9$; $12\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

A MS. containing five *Juz* of the *Qurân*, viz., v (fol. 1^b-32^a); viii (fol. 33^b-64^a); xi (fol. 65^b-96^a); xiv (fol. 97^b-128^a); and xxii (fol. 129^b-151^a).

Fol. 32^b, 33^a, 64^b, 65^a, 96^b, 97^a, 128^b and 129^a are blank.

Written on a crimson ground in fair bold *Naskh*, with all the vowels, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The titles of the *Sûrahs*, as well as the signs of *Waqf*, *Madd*, *Wasl*, etc., are in white. The verses are separated by gilt circles.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1190.

fol. 33; lines 9; size $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{3}{4}$; $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1$.

The Same.

A collection of seven *Sûrahs* of the *Qurân*, viz., xxxvi; xlviii lv; lvi; lxvii; lxxiii; and lxxviii.

A very fine copy. Written in elegant, small and fully vocalised

Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders ; with an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in gold. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

No. 1191.

fol. 41 ; lines 7 ; size same as above.

The Same.

Another copy of the same seven Sûrahs.

Written in the same hand, and in the same manner, as the above.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

No. 1192.

fol. 485 , lines 12 ; size $4\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$; $3\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A pocket-Qurân, defective at the beginning.

Written in small and rather cursive Naskh, with all the vowels, within red and blue ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red ink.

Slightly water-stained and worm-eaten. Fol. 1, 6, and 44 are wanting.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

No. 1193.

fol. 114 ; lines 18 ; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A defective and incomplete copy of the Qurân, with an anonymous Persian commentary in the margin ; in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning abruptly with the following words of the 115th verse of *Sûrat al-Baqarah* (chapter ii) :—

مَا تُولُوا قَدَمَ وَجْهِ اللَّهِ ۖ إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَاسِعٌ عَلِيمٌ ۝

Ending abruptly with the following words of the 79th verse of *Sûrat al-Kahf* (chapter xviii):—

أَمَّا السَّعِيَّةُ فَكَانَتْ لِمُسْكِينَ يَعْمَلُونَ فِي الْحَصْرِ فَارْتَدُّ أَنْ أَعْيَبَهَا وَكَانَ
وَرَاءَهُمْ *

No. 1194.

fol. 93; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

Beginning at the point where the previous volume ends, in the 79th verse of *Sûrat al-Kahf* (chapter xviii), and breaking off abruptly in the beginning of the fourth verse of *Sûrat at-Tağâbun* (chapter lxiv).

Both volumes are written in fair Naskh, with vowel points and diacritical marks. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gilt circles. The interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The first double-page of the first volume is richly illuminated.

The commentary is written in fair Nasta'liq.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

The MS. was presented by Sayyid Şafdar Nawwâb of Patna City.

No. 1195.

fol. 516; lines 11; size $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $3\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

Written in good and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and black ruled borders; with a double-page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The beginning of each *Juz* is distinguished by a larger gilt circle in the margin.

Slightly worm-eaten.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1196.

fol. 328; lines 15; size $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$; $3 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A valuable pocket-Qurân.

Written on gold-sprinkled paper in elegant, small, closely written and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold, blue and black ruled borders. The first four pages are richly illuminated. The titles of the Sûrah are in gold. The verses are divided by gilt roses. Foll. 2 and 3 are slightly damaged.

Not dated: probably 18th century.

The MS was presented by Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb of Patna City on the 23rd February, 1904.

No. 1197.

fol. 281; lines 16; size $12 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$; $9\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Quran, with an interlinear Persian version.

The text is written in fair and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white on a gold ground. The beginnings of the four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked by marginal ornaments. The margins of the first double-page and the last two are covered with beautiful ornaments in gold and colours.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

The seals and signatures of Nawwâb Sayyid Wilâyat 'Alî Khân of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb, are found on the title-page as well as at the end.

No. 1198.

fol. 218; lines 17; size $22\frac{1}{2} \times 12$; $13\frac{1}{2} \times 7$

The Same.

A magnificent large-size Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and a Persian commentary by Fathallâh bin Shukrallâh al-

Kâshânî (d. A.H. 997=A.D. 1589; see *Kashf al-Hujub*, fol. 56^b), entitled *Khulâsat al-Manhaj*.

The commentary begins thus :—

* حمدی چون کلمات ربانی بیعیاب شائسته لطیفی است *

The text and the commentary are both incomplete at the end. They break off abruptly with the 11th verse of *Sûratu Nûh* (chapter lxxi).

The text is written in beautiful large Naskh on a gold ground, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within richly illuminated borders. The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Nasta'liq, in red ink.

The commentary is written slantwise in the margins in good Nasta'liq, with quotations from the text in red ink. The interlinear spaces in the margins are filled with ornaments.

The verses are divided by illuminated circles. The titles of the Sûrahs are in blue on a gold ground, within rich borders. The margin of the first double-page is covered with excellent and very elaborate ornaments in gold and colours.

At the beginning are two fly-leaves containing the various titles of the Qurân.

Interleaved with sheets of blank vellum, and bound in painted and glazed covers of Kashmîrî workmanship. The name of Bâdshâh Begam, for whom the MS. was prepared, is written thus on the edge of the right-hand cover of the MS. :—

* ب ا د ش ا ه ب ی گ م *

This Bâdshâh Begam was the mother of Nawwâb Âsafaddawlah of Audh (A.H. 1188–1212=A.D. 1775–1797).

On the edge of the left-hand cover is written the name of the book-binder, Faḍl 'Alî.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1199.

fol. 266; lines 15; size 12½ × 8; 8 × 4½.

The Same.

A richly illuminated copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and a Persian commentary, entitled *Khulâsat al-Manhaj* (see No. 1198 above).

The text and the commentary are both incomplete at the end. They break off abruptly in the beginning of the 9th verse of *Sûrat as-Şaff* (chapter lxi).

The text is written in elegant Naskh on a gold ground, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within richly illuminated borders. The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Nasta'liq, in red ink.

The Persian commentary is written slantwise in the margins in good Nasta'liq, with quotations from the text, in red ink. The interlinear spaces in the margins are occupied by floral designs in gold and colours.

The verses are divided by illuminated circles. The titles of the *Sûrahs* are in blue on a gold ground, within ornamental borders. The first double-page is richly illuminated. The *Rukû'* (section) and the four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked by illuminations in the margin.

Foll. 1^b-7^b contain a preface to the Persian commentary, beginning as follows:—

* حمدی چون کلمات ربانی بیغایت شائسته لطیفی است *

Foll. 8^b-11^b contain a short extract from the *Khulâsat al-Arkân*, a Persian work on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân.

Foll. 8^a and 12^a are blank.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1200.

foll. 34; lines 7; size 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 5 $\frac{1}{4}$; 6 × 3 $\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

The 8th *Juz* of the Qurân.

Written in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders; with a tastefully illuminated frontispiece. The heading of the *Juz* and the title of *Sûrat al-A'râf* (chapter vii) are in Sulṣ, white on a gold ground. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The *Rukû'* (section) is marked in the margin by a large gilt circle, enclosing the letter ع in white. The end of the first quarter, the half and the third quarter of the *Juz* is marked by marginal ornaments of various designs, enclosing the words رجع, ثلث and نصف, respectively.

Dated A.H. 1212=A.D. 1797.

No. 1201.

fol. 467; lines 13; size $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2$.

The Same.

Written in elegant Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The first double-page is tastefully illuminated. Fol. 2^b contains an illuminated frontispiece. The titles of the Sûrahs are in white, on a gold ground. The verses are divided by gold roses.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the Qurân.

Six fly-leaves at the beginning contain a table of the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1202.

fol. 710; lines 5; size $12\frac{1}{4} \times 9$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Urdu version; complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

The first half of the Qurân, ending with the 74th verse of *Sûrat al-Kahf* (chapter xviii).

No. 1203.

fol. 706; lines and size same as above

The Same.

Vol. II.

The latter half of the Qurân, beginning with the 75th verse of *Sûrat al-Kahf* (chapter xviii).

Both volumes are written in elegant bold and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders. The verses are separated by gilt circles. The titles of the Sûrahs are in blue on a

gold ground, within rich borders. The *Rukû'* (section) and the four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked in the margin by ornaments of various designs. The margins of the first four pages of the first volume are covered with tasteful and brilliant illuminations.

The interlinear Urdû version is written in fair Nasta'liq, in red ink.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

Seals of Sayyid Khurshîd Nawwâb of Patna City are found on the title-page as well as at the end.

No. 1204.

fol. 234; lines 17; size $19\frac{3}{4} \times 12\frac{1}{4}$; $15\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version. The Sûrahs are arranged according to the chronological order of revelation.

At the end there are two additional Sûrahs, called respectively *Sûrat an-Nûrain* and *Sûrat al-Wilâyat*, and thirty-three additional verses belonging to various Sûrahs, which are not found in the text of the Qurân published by 'Usmân, the third Caliph (A.H. 23-35=A.D. 644-656). Some Shi'ahs of later times have contended that certain portions were deliberately omitted by 'Usmân, since they favoured 'Alî, the fourth Caliph (A.H. 35-40=A.D. 656-661), and his family. But this is difficult to believe. 'Usmân could scarcely have omitted any portion without it being observed at the time; how would 'Alî have accepted 'Usmân's recension, had he done so? Indeed, 'Alî himself is said to have transcribed copies of the Qurân from the same text. The Qurân itself contains frequent denunciations against those who should presume to fabricate anything in the name of the Lord, or conceal any part of that which He had revealed; and we cannot believe that any one among the early Muslims would have dared to contemplate such an act. Moreover, there are many anecdotes recorded in the canonical books of Hadîs, which go to show that the copies of the Qurân, circulated by 'Usmân, were transcribed from the recension made by Abû Bakr, the first Caliph (A.H. 11-13=A.D. 632-634), which is admitted by all Muslims to have been a faithful reproduction of the revelation as reduced to writing in the presence of the Prophet, and to agree in every particular, both in text and in arrangement, with the Qurân as preserved in the memories of the *Ṣaḥâbah*.

The purity of the text of the Qurân is universally recognised. Among European scholars, the following opinion of Sir William Muir, in his "Life of Muhamet" (p. 557), may be quoted:—

"There is probably in the world no other work which has remained twelve centuries with so pure a text. The various readings are wonderfully few in number, and are chiefly confined to differences in the vowel points and diacritical signs. But these marks were invented at a later date. They did not exist at all in the early copies, and can hardly be said to affect the text of Othmân ('Uṣmân)."

The additional Sûrahs and verses, found in the present copy, were no doubt composed by some Shî'ah scholar of later times; and the Shî'ahs themselves do not believe them to be the word of God, for they do not think it lawful to recite them in their prayers. Cf Geschichte des Qorans, 2nd edition, edited by Schwally, vol ii, pp. 93-112.

The Sûrahs, as they stand in the present copy, are as follows:—

1. سورة الفاتحة ; 2. سورة العلق ; 3. سورة القلم ; 4. سورة المرملة ;
5. سورة الاعلى ; 6. سورة نكور ; 7. سورة ابى لهب ; 8. سورة المذخر ;
9. سورة الببل ; 10. سورة الفجر ; 11. سورة الضحى ; 12. سورة اشراج ;
13. سورة الدكانر ; 14. سورة العاديات ; 15. سورة الكونر ; 16. سورة الدكانر ;
17. سورة الفلى ; 18. سورة الكافرون ; 19. سورة القبل ; 20. سورة الفلى ;
21. سورة عبس ; 22. سورة الانجاس ; 23. سورة النجم ; 24. سورة عبس ;
25. سورة القدر ; 26. سورة الشمس ; 27. سورة البروج ; 28. سورة اللحن ;
29. سورة الهمزة ; 30. سورة القارعة ; 31. سورة القدمه ; 32. سورة الهمزة ;
33. سورة المرسلات ; 34. سورة ق ; 35. سورة البلد ; 36. سورة الطارق ;
37. سورة القمر ; 38. سورة ص ; 39. سورة الاعراف ; 40. سورة الجن ;
41. سورة المريم ; 42. سورة الفرقان ; 43. سورة الملئكة ; 44. سورة المريم ;
45. سورة النمل ; 46. سورة الواقعة ; 47. سورة الشعراء ; 48. سورة النمل ;
49. سورة القصص ; 50. سورة بني اسرائيل ; 51. سورة نونس ; 52. سورة الهود ;
53. سورة الصافات ; 54. سورة الانعام ; 55. سورة الحجر ; 56. سورة يوسف ;
57. سورة الموعمن ; 58. سورة الرمر ; 59. سورة السدا ; 60. سورة لقمان ;
61. سورة الدخان ; 62. سورة الزخرف ; 63. سورة الشورى ; 64. سورة سجدة ;

65. سورة البقرة ; 66. سورة الاحقاف ; 67. سورة الداربات ; 68. سورة الغاشية ;
 69. سورة الكهف ; 70. سورة النحل ; 71. سورة النوح ; 72. سورة ابراهيم ;
 73. سورة الطور ; 74. سورة المؤمنون ; 75. سورة الم سجدة ; 76. سورة الطور ;
 77. سورة النباء ; 78. سورة الحاقة ; 79. سورة المعارج ; 80. سورة النباء ;
 81. سورة العنكبوت ; 82. سورة الانشقاق ; 83. سورة الانعطار ; 84. سورة العنكبوت ;
 85. سورة الانفال ; 86. سورة الروم ; 87. سورة البقرة ; 88. سورة الانفال ;
 89. سورة النساء ; 90. سورة الاحزاب ; 91. سورة الممتحنة ; 92. سورة النساء ;
 93. سورة الرعد ; 94. سورة الحديد ; 95. سورة محمد ; 96. سورة الرعد ;
 97. سورة الحديد ; 98. سورة هل ادى ; 99. سورة الطلاق ; 100. سورة الحديد ;
 101. سورة الحديد ; 102. سورة النصر ; 103. سورة النور ; 104. سورة الحديد ;
 105. سورة الحديد ; 106. سورة الحديد ; 107. سورة الحديد ; 108. سورة الحديد ;
 109. سورة الحديد ; 110. سورة الحديد ; 111. سورة الحديد ; 112. سورة الحديد ;
 113. سورة الحديد ; 114. سورة الحديد ; 115. سورة الحديد ; 116. سورة الحديد .

The text is written in beautiful large Naskh, with all the vowel points and diacritical marks, within gold and black ruled borders. The verses are properly numbered in red ink, and separated by gilt circles. The interlinear Persian version is written in fair Nasta'liq in red ink. Fol. 142^a is blank.

Two fly-leaves at the beginning contain a table of the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

No. 1205.

fol. 402 ; lines 12 ; size 16 × 9½ ; 13 × 6½.

The Same.

A large-size Qurân, with an interlinear Persian version, and marginal notes, also in Persian.

The text is written in elegant and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold and coloured ruled borders ; with a double-page 'Unwân. The title-page contains an octagonal ornamental design in gold and

colours. The *Rukû'* (section) and the beginnings of the four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked in the margin by oblong ornaments. The verses are divided by gilt roses. The titles of the *Sûrahs* are in white on a gold ground, within illuminated borders.

The interlinear Persian version is written in small *Naskh*, in red ink.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

Foll. 401^b–402^a contain a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the *Qurân*.

The seals of Nawwâb Wilâyat 'Alî *Khân* of Patna City and of his grandson, Sayyid *Kh*hurshîd Nawwâb, are found on the title-page as well as at the end.

The MS. was presented to the library by *Khân* Bahâdur Sayyid Muḥammad Ismâ'il on the 21st July, 1903.

No. 1206.

Foll. 197; lines 19; size $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A valuable pocket-Quran.

Written in elegant, fully vocalised *Naskh*, within gold and black ruled borders. The first two pages are richly illuminated. The margins of foll. 2^b and 3^a are covered with floral designs in gold and colours, while the interlinear spaces are filled with gold. The title-page and three fly-leaves at the beginning, containing a prayer to be recited prior to the reading of the *Qurân* and a table of the *Sûrahs*, are profusely illuminated. The titles of the *Sûrahs* are in red on a gold ground. The verses are separated by gilt roses. Each *Hizb* and the four main divisions of each *Juz* of the *Qurân* are marked by marginal ornaments.

At the end is a prayer, to be recited after completing the reading of the *Qurân*.

Slightly worm-eaten.

Dated A.H. 1237=A.D. 1821.

Scribe: محمد حسين بن محمد صادق.

The MS. was presented by Sayyid 'Alî Naqî of Muẓaffarpûr.

No. 1207.

fol. 31 ; lines 31 ; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $8 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A copy of the Qurân in 30 foll.

Written in small elegant Naskh, with occasional vowel points, within black-ruled borders. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red ink.

The title-page contains a prayer to be recited prior to the reading of the Qurân, and the last folio a prayer to be recited after completing its reading.

Dated Thursday, the 1st Rabî' I, A.H. 1292=A.D. 1875.

Scribe : محمد هادي بن أبا محمد علي بن ملا علي بقی مازندرانی.

The MS. was presented by Sayyid Safdar Nawwâb of Patna City on the 21st July, 1909.

No. 1208.

fol. 39 ; lines 11 ; size $4\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$; $3\frac{1}{4} \times 2$.

The Same.

A MS. containing short extracts from various Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Written in ordinary Indian Naskh, with all the vowel points, within coloured ruled borders.

Not dated ; probably 19th century.

No. 1209.

fol. 152 ; lines 11 ; size $12 \times 8\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

A fragment of the Qurân, extending from the 201st verse of *Sûrat al-A'râf* (chapter vii) to the 32nd verse of *Sûratu Luqmân* (chapter xxxi).

Written in Naskh, with numerous short lacunae.

Not dated ; probably 19th century.

No. 1210.

fol. 300; lines 13; size $12 \times 7\frac{1}{2}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Written in elegant, large and fully vocalised Naskh, within gold, blue and black ruled borders, with a fine double page 'Unwân. The titles of the Sûrahs are in red ink. The verses are divided by gilt circles. The *Rukû'* (section) and the four main divisions of each *Juz* are marked in the margin by larger illuminated circles.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

VARIOUS READINGS OF THE QURÂN.

No. 1211.

fol. 281; lines 12; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$.

كتاب الحج في الفرائد السبعة

KITAB AL-ḤUJJAH FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT
AS-SAB'AH.

The first two parts of the *Kitâb al-Hujjah* (book of convincing argument), a very rare and old work on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, described in Hâj. Khal, vol. v, pp. 93 and 134, as a commentary on the *Kitâb al-Qir'ât as-Sab'ah* of Abû Bakr Ahmad bin Mûsâ, commonly called Ibn Mujaḥid (d. A.H. 324=A.D. 936).

Author: Abû'Alî al-Hasan bin Ahmad bin 'Abdalgaffâr bin Muḥammad bin Sulaimân bin Abân al-Fasawî al-Fârisî أبو علي الحسن بن أحمد بن عبد الغفار بن محمد بن سليمان بن أبان الفارسي, one of the greatest of grammarians. He was born at Fasâ, a town in the province of Fars, in A.H. 288=A.D. 901. In A.H. 307=A.D. 919 he went to Bagdâd, where he prosecuted his studies under Abû Bakr Muḥammad Ibn as-Sarrâj (d. A.H. 316=A.D. 929) and Ibrâhîm Ibn Sahl az-Zajjâj (d. A.H. 310=A.D. 922), the greatest philologists of the time. He travelled over many countries, and stopped for some time at Aleppo, with Saifaddawlah Ibn Hamdân (A.H. 333—356

=A.D. 944—967), by whom he was received in A.H. 341=A.D. 953. He had some conferences there with the famous poet, Al-Mutanabbi (d. A.H. 354=A.D. 965). Later on he proceeded to Fârs, where he gained the favour and high esteem of 'Adudaddawlah Abû Shujâ' Khusraw (A.H. 338—372=A.D. 949—982), the second ruler of the Buwaihids of Fârs, for whom he composed his two famous grammatical works, viz., *Al-'Idâh* and *At-Takmilah*. Ibn K̥hallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. i, p. 381) says that he was suspected of being a Mu'tazalite. Ibn Abi'd-Dam (At-Ta'rikh al-Islâmî, fol. 141^b) says that the people of Baġdâd regarded him as a greater grammarian even than the celebrated Al-Mubarrad (d. A.H. 285=A.D. 998). Our author wrote a large number of books. Besides the present work and those mentioned in Brock, vol. i, p. 114, the following compositions of his are enumerated by Yâqût in the *Irshâd al-Arib* (vol. vi, part iii, pp. 9—22):—

(i) كتاب ابدات الاعراب ; (ii) كتاب الانضاح الشعرى ; (iii) كتاب مختصر ; (iv) المسائل ; (v) المسائل العددية ; (vi) المسائل ; (vii) كتاب المقصور والممدود ; (viii) كتاب الاعمال ; (ix) المسائل القصيرة ; (x) الشبرانية ; (xi) كتاب نقض الهاذور ; (xii) كتاب البرحة ; (xiii) المسائل المتنورة ; (xiv) كتاب التتبع لكلام ابي علي الجبائي ; (xv) ابدات المعاني ; (xvi) المسائل الدمشقية ; (xvii) المسائل العسكرية ; (xviii) المسائل العصرية ; (xix) كتاب ابن السراج ; (xx) المسائل المشككة ; (xxi) المسائل المصلحة من كتاب ابن السراج ; (xxii) المسائل الكروانية ;

He is called by some "Al-Fasawî" and by others "Al-Fârisî", with reference to his native town and province, respectively. He died at Baġdâd on Sunday, the 17th Rabî' II, A.H. 377=A.D. 987. Ibn al-Asîr (Al-Kâmil, vol. ix, p. 36), however, places his death in A.H. 376=A.D. 986. For further particulars of his life see Nâmah-i Dânişwarân, vol. i, pp. 513—21; Ibn K̥hallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. i, pp. 379—81); Bugyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 170^b; Yâqût, vol. vi, part iii, pp. 9—22; Nuzhat al-Alibbâ', fol. 145^a; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 90^a; Tâj at-Tabaqât, vol. iv, part ii, fol. 189^a; Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 227^b; Muġmal Faşihî, fol. 126^a; and Brock., vol. i, pp. 113—4.

Ibn Jinnî, the author's pupil, in the introduction to his work, entitled *Al-Muhtasib* (No. 1213 below), makes the following remarks regarding the *Kutâb al-Hujjah*:—

فان ابا علي رحمه الله تعالى عمل كتاب الحجة في الفرائض فتجاوز فيه فدر حاجة القراء الى ما يجعلوا عنه كثير من العلماء ونحن

بِالله و له و اليه و هو حسبنا على ان السيغم ابا على رضى الله عنه قد كان
وقتا حدث نفسه بعمله و هم ان يضع يده فيه و يبدأ به فاعترضت خوالج
هذا الدهر دونه و حالت هفواته بينه و بينه هذا على ما كان رحمه الله
تعالى عليه من خلوصه و سوجه فذكره *

The MS. is defective at the beginning. It opens abruptly thus:—

..... فصدته و المعونة عايه و هو حسبنا و نعم الوكيل - فاتحة
الكتاب - اختلفوا فى اثبات الالف و اسقاطها من فوله جل و عز ملك
يوم الدين فقرأ عاصم و الكسائى مالك بالالف و قرأ الباقون ملك بغير
الالف و لم يمل احد الالف من مالك النخ *

On fol. 144^b, the first part ends with these words:—

يتلوه فى الجزء الثانى فوله نبارك و تعالى غشاة فى سورة البقرة
الحمد لله كما هو اهله و صلى الله على محمد نبيه المصطفى و آله *

The second part, which is defective at the beginning, opens abruptly on fol. 146^a with these words:—

..... فان شئت جعلته صفة و اضمرت الخبر
و البغداديون فيما حكى لنا عنهم يجيزون في هذا و يذهبون ان يكون الظرف
من صلة المنفى المبني غير المنون فاما فوله تبارك و تعالى لا بشرى
يَوْمَئِذٍ لِلْمُجْرِمِينَ فان جعلت بشرى في موضع تنوين جاز ان يكون يَوْمَئِذٍ
من صلته و ان جعلته فى موضع الفتح للنفى جاز ان يكون خبرا النخ *

The second part ends on fol. 278^a thus:—

يتلوه فى الجزء الثالث ان شاء الله اختلفوا في اسارى تغدوهم
فى اثبات الالف فى الحرفين و اسقاطها و الحمد لله كما هو اهله و صلى
الله على محمد نبيه و آله و سلم تسليما *

There are several notes, at the end of both parts, giving the names of those who read the MS. with Tâjaddîn Abu'l-Yumn Zaid bin al-Hasan al-Kindî, whose signature is found on the title-page of part X (see No. 1212 below).

This Tâjaddîn Abu'l-Yumn, a great grammarian and Qurân-reader, was born at Baġdâd, A.H. 520=A.D. 1126. He settled permanently at Damascus, where he gained the special favour of the Amîr 'Izzaddîn Farrukh Shâh, a nephew of Sultân Şalâhaddîn Yûsuf al-Ayyûbî (A.H. 564—589=A.D. 1169—1193). Having accompanied the Amîr to Egypt, he had an opportunity of consulting the most valuable works preserved in the libraries of that country. He composed several instructive works, some of which are noticed by Hâj. Khal.; but unfortunately none of them is now extant. He died at Damascus on Monday, the 6th Shawwâl, A.H. 613=A.D. 1217. For his life, see Ibn Khallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. i, pp. 546—549); Buġyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 196^a; Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 381^a; Tabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Aġ-Dahabî, fol. 135^a; Dustûr al-I'lâm, fol. 118^a; Al-Jawâhir al-Mudîyah, vol. i, fol. 110^a; Yâqût, vol. iv, p. 222; and Tâj at-Tabaqât, vol. vii, part i, fol. 53^a.

Fol. 144^b contains the following note, dated the 6th Rabî'î, A.H. 582=A.D. 1186, which tells us that the MS. was read in the presence of Tâjaddîn al-Kindî at several sittings:—

سمع هذه المجلدة على المولى الصدر الامام الكبير ناج الدين شرف
الاسلام سيد العلماء ابي اليمى زيد بن الحسن بن زيد الكندى عبد الرحمن
بن محمد بن ابراهيم الطهرانى [و] حسام الدين ابو الحسن على بن
احمد بن مكى ونقى الدين عمر بن الحسن بن على الموصلى وشهاب
الدين ابو المحاسن سليمان بن الفضل بن الحسن البدياسى ورضي الدين عبد
الجليل بن احمد الحوارى وموفق الدين ابو الجذان رضوان بن
وعلى بن ابي الفضائل الدمشقى وعمر بن فضل عبد الله الصرخدى
وذلك فى مجالس آخرها سادس ربيع الاول سنة اثنى عشر وثمانين
وخمس مائة *

This is attested by Tâjaddîn al-Kindî in his own hand thus:—

هذا صحيح وكتبه ابو اليمى بخطه *

Another note, on the same folio, copied from Tâjaddîn al-Kindî's autograph note, and dated A.H. 623=A.D. 1226, reads thus:—

شاهدت بخط شيخنا تاج الدين رحمه الله فى بيت الامام نجيب

الله الكندي سلمه الله و سمع ايضا كتاب الحجة فى القراءات لابي على
 الفارسى وهى روايتى عن شيخى الامام ابى محمد عبد الله بن على بن
 احمد فراءة عليه عن الشيخ ابى طاهر احمد بن على بن عبد الله بن سوار
 المفرجى عن ابى عبد الله الحسين بن على الامدى عن على بن عيسى
 الربعى عن ابى على الحسن بن احمد بن عبد الغفار الفارسى المصنف
 و كذت سمعتها عليه بقراءة غيرى قبل ذلك و كتب ابو اليمى الكندى -
 نقلته كما شاهدته فى صفر من سنة ثلاث و عشرين و ستمائة *

A note, in the margin of the same folio, a portion of which has been cut off by the binder, tells us of the reading of the MS. in the presence of the same Tâjaddîn al-Kindî at the grand mosque of Damascus at several sittings, the last of which was held on Wednesday, the 18th Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 589=A.D. 1193.

Fol. 145 contains a lengthy note, dated the 'Azîziyah Madrasah, Damascus, Sunday, the 20th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 606=A.D. 1210, giving the following names, among others, of those who read the book with Tâjaddîn al-Kindî:—

1. Qâdî Zakîaddîn Şadr ash-Shâm Abu'l-'Abbâs Tâhir bin Muḥammad bin 'Alî al-Qurashî (*d.* A.H. 610=A.D. 1214; see *Ṭabaqât* by Ibn al-Mulaqqin, fol. 115^b).

2. Wajîhaddîn Abu'l-Faraġ Ibrâhîm bin Yûsuf al-Ma'âfirî al-Bûnî (*d.* A.H. 612=A.D. 1216; see *Al-Jawâhir al-Mudîyah*, vol. 1, fol. 22^a).

3. Muḥammad bin Aḥmad Ash-Shâṭibî (*d.* A.H. 614=A.D. 1218; see *Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ'* by Aġ-Dahabî, fol. 138^b).

4. Abu'l-Hasan 'Alî bin Abî'l-Hasan bin Abî 'Abdallâh al-Wâsitî (*d.* A.H. 617=A.D. 1220; see *ibid.*, fol. 141^a).

5. Ismâ'îl bin 'Abdallâh bin 'Abdalmuḥsin al-Anmâtî (*d.* A.H. 619=A.D. 1222; see *Ṭabaqât* by Al-Isnawî, fol. 24^b).

6. Zainaddîn Abu'l-Ḥusain Yaḥyâ bin Mu'tî bin 'Abdannûr az-Zuwâwî an-Naḥwî (*d.* A.H. 628=A.D. 1231; see *Buġyat al-Wu'ât*, fol. 333^a).

7. Abu'l-Faṭḥ Mansûr bin 'Abdallâh bin Jâmî' aġ-Ḍarîr (*d.* A.H. 641=A.D. 1244; see *Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ'* by Aġ-Dahabî, fol. 152^a).

8. Al-Muntakhab bin Abî'l-'Izz bin ar-Rashîd al-Hamdânî (*d.* A.H. 643=A.D. 1245; see *ibid.*, fol. 151^a).

9. 'Alamaddîn Abu'l-Hasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad as-Sakhâwî (*d.* A.H. 643=A.D. 1245; see No. 1246 below).

10 Abu'l-Binâ' Mahmûd, the son of 'Alamaddin as-Sakhâwî.

11. Al-Qâdî al-Muntakhab Kamâladdin Abu'l-Mufaḍḍal Yahyâ bin Muḥammad bin 'Alî al-Qurashî (*d.* A.H. 668=A.D. 1270; see *Tabaqât* by Ibn al-Mulaqqin, fol. 115^b).

12. Ismâ'il bin Abî Tâlib al-'Attâr (*d.* A.H. 668=A.D. 1270; see *Tabaqât al-Qurrâ'* by Ad-Dahabî, fol 155^a).

13. Aminaddin Abu'l-'Abbâs Aḥmad bin 'Abdallâh, the nephew of Tâjaddin al-Kindî.

14. Abû Ishâq Ibrâhîm bin 'Abdalwahrâb bin Abî'l-Ma'âlî al-Khazrajî ar-Raiḥânî (who was alive up to A.H. 625=A.D. 1228; see *Tabaqât* by Ibn al-Mulaqqin, fol. 122^a).

15 'Azizaddin Abû Hâmid Muhammad, the son of 'Imâdaddin Muhammad al-Kâtib al-Isfahânî (*d.* A.H. 597=A.D. 1200; see *Husn al-Muhâḍarah*, fol 142^b).

Fol. 278^b contains a note, which tells us of the reading of the second part of the work in the presence of Tâjaddin al-Kindî at the grand mosque of Damascus at four sittings, the last of which was held on Wednesday, the 2nd Muharram, A.H. 590=A.D. 1194.

Another note, on the same folio, dated the 'Aziziyah Madrasah, Damascus, Sunday, the 27th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 606=A.D. 1210, repeats, for the most part, the contents of that found on fol. 145. The following concluding words of this note are in Tâjaddin al-Kindî's own hand:—

عاد القارى لولدي انى الفضل الكمال ابى عبد الله و ابى الفرج
ما فاتهما من هذا الجزء فصح لهما سماع جميعه و كتب ابو اليمن بخطه *

Fol 281, which is the last folio of the seventh part of the work, contains two notes. The first tells us of the reading of this seventh part, in the presence of Tâjaddin al-Kindî, at the grand mosque of Damascus at three sittings, the last of which was held on Wednesday, the 7th Rabî' I, A.H. 590=A.D. 1194. It also states that Tâjaddin al-Kindî was authorised to teach the book by Imâm Abû Muḥammad 'Abdallâh bin 'Alî bin Aḥmad an-Naḥwî in A.H. 540=A.D. 1146. The second note tells us of the reading of the seventh part, again in the presence of Tâjaddin al-Kindî, at the 'Aziziyah Madrasah, Damascus, at two sittings, the last of which was held on Sunday, the 17th Muharram, A.H. 607=A.D. 1210.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in old Arabian Naskḥ, with occasional vowel-points. Fol. 280 should follow fol. 273.

The date of the copy is not given; but it must certainly be earlier than the date of the first note, viz., A.H. 582=A.D. 1186.

Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained.

Foll. 66^a, 143^b, 144^a, 230^a, 254^b, and 273^b contain seals of Ilyâs bin Muḥammad bin 'Alî al-'Arabî, a distinguished Qurân-reader of Damascus. According to Ad-Dahabî, *Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ'*, fol. 142^b, he died in A.H. 626=A.D. 1229.

No. 1212.

fol. 149; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

The tenth part of the work noticed above.

Beginning:—

فَرَأَى نَافِعٌ وَحَفْصٌ عَنْ عَاصِمٍ أَوْ كَمَا - خَفَضَ مَنُونٌ - ابْنُ كَثِيرٍ وَابْنُ
عَاصِمٍ وَالكَسَائِيُّ أَوْ كَمَا - خَفَضَ عَيْرٌ مَنُونٌ - قَالَ أَبُو عَلِيٍّ مِنْ نَوْنٍ فَقَالَ
أَوْ جَعَلَهُ نَكْرَةً مِثْلَ غَانٍ وَصِهٍ وَنَحْوِ ذَلِكَ مِنْ الْأَصْوَاتِ وَهَذَا التَّنْوِينُ
فِي الصَّوْتِ دَلِيلُ التَّنْكِيرِ وَمِنْ لَمْ يَذُنْ جَعَلَهُ مَعْرِفَةً كَانَهُ فِي الْمَعْنَى
الصَّوْتِ الَّذِي يَعْرِفُ الْخ *

Incomplete at the end. It breaks off abruptly thus:—

وَزَعَمَ بَعْضُ الْبَصَرِيِّينَ فِي حَذْفِ هَذِهِ الذُّوْنِ أَنَّهَا لُغَةٌ لَغَطْفَانِ *

Uniform with the preceding, and written by the same hand. The seals of Ilyâs bin Muḥammad bin 'Alî al-'Arabî are found on foll. 1^b, 2^a, 83^a, and 148^b.

Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained.

The title-page bears the signature of Tâjaddîn Zaid bin Ḥasan al-Kindî, for some account of whom see No. 1211 above.

No. 1213.

fol. 202; lines 25; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $8 \times 4\frac{3}{4}$.

المختسب في شرح الشواذ

AL-MUḤTASIB FÎ SHARḤ
ASH-SHAWÂDD.

A rare copy of a work, treating of the disputed readings of the Qurân, based on the *Kitâb ash-Shawâdd* of Abû Bakr Ahmad bin Mûsâ, better known as Ibn Muġâhid (*d.* A.H. 324=A.D. 936).

Author: Abu'l-Fath 'Usmân bin Jinnî al-Mawṣilî an-Naĥwî
أبو العنم عثمان بن حنّى الموصلي النحوي

Beginning:—

اللهم انا نحمدك اقصى مدى الحمددين و نعتزف بآلائك كما
اوجدت على المطيعين من عبدك المعترفين اليك *

The author, a grammarian and philologist of eminent talent, whose father was a Greek slave belonging to Sulaimân bin Fahd bin Aĥmad al-Azdî, was born at Mawsil some time before A.H. 330=A.D. 941. He was an assiduous disciple of Abû 'Alî al-Fârisî (*d.* A.H. 377=A.D. 987), to whom he attached himself for a period of about forty years. After the death of Al-Fârisî, he succeeded him as the chief philologist in Baġdâd, and wrote, besides the present work, a large number of instructive books on the science of grammar, among which *Al-Khasâ'is*, *Sirr as-Ṣani'ah*, *Kitâb al-Lam'* and *Sharh Tasrif al-Mâzinî* are much admired. His works are remarkable for the way in which he has applied scientific principles to the study of grammar. His treatise on the principles of inflection has been translated into Latin, and was published by G. Hoberg, Leipzig, 1885. Our author also wrote a commentary on the *Dîwân* of Al-Mutanabbî (*d.* A.H. 354=A.D. 965), which work he studied under the personal direction of the author. This commentary was the first of its kind, and became the chief source for later commentaries. He died at Baġdâd on Friday, the 27th Safar, A.H. 392=A.D. 1002. Ibn Abî'd-Dam (*At-Ta'rikh al-Islâmî*, fol. 143^v), however, places his death in A.H. 386=A.D. 996. For the author's life and a complete list of his works see *Namah-i-Dânishwarân*, vol. i, p. 171. See also *Nuzhat al-Alibbâ'*, fol. 151^b; *Yâqût*, vol. v, p. 15; Ibn Kḥallikân (*De Slane's translation*, vol. ii, p. 191); *Dustûr al-'Ilâm*, fol. 33^a;

Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 237^b; Buġyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 257^b; Tâj at-Ṭabaqât, vol. iv, part ii, fol. 304^a; and Broek., vol. i, p. 125.

In the preface, the author makes mention of the *Kitâb al-Hujjah* of Abû 'Alî al-Fârisî (No. 1211 above) and of the *Kitâb ash-Shawâdd* of Ibn al-Mujâhid. The former, he says, exceeded the limits necessary for dealing with the subject. On the latter he depends for both matter and method. He also mentions as his authorities the names of the following two masters of the subject, with *Isnâd* (i.e., the names of the intermediate teachers through whom their teaching was derived):—

1. Abû Hâtim Sahl bin Muḥammad bin 'Uṣmân as-Safistânî (*d.* A.H. 250=A.D. 864).

2. Abû 'Alî Muḥammad bin Aḥmad al-Mustanîr Quṭrub (*d.* A.H. 206=A.D. 821).

The following, quoted from the preface, will give a fair idea of the subject-matter and of how it is dealt with in the present work:—

و انا باذن الله بادي بكتاب اذكر فيه احوال ما شد عن السبعة و فائل
في معناه مما يريه الله عز اسمه و اياه اسعين و هو كافي و نعم الوكيل اعلم
ان جميع ما شد عن قراءة السبعة و شهرهم مغذية عن تسميتهم ضربان
ضرب شد عن القراءة عاريا من الصنعة ليس فيه الا ما يتناولها الظاهر فما
هذه سبيله فلا وجه للتساغل به و ذلك ان كتابنا هذا ليس موضوعا على
جمع كافة القراءات الساذة عن قراءة السبعة و انما الغرض فيه ابانة ما لطفت
صنعتة و اغربت طريقته و ضرب ثان و هو هذا الذي نحن على سمتة اعني
ما شد عن السبعة و غمض عن ظاهر الصنعة و هو المعتمد المقول عليه
المولى جهة الاشتغال به و نحن نورد ذلك على ما روينا ثم على ما صح
عندنا من طريق رواية غيرنا له لا دألوا فيه وجهة ما تقتضيه حال مثله من
تأدية امانته و تحصى الصحة في روايته و على اننا نُنْكَحِي فيه على كتاب
ابي بكر احمد بن موسى بن مجاهد رحمه الله تعالى الذي وضعه لذكر
الشواذ من القراءة ان كان موسوما به مَحْذُومُ الاجراء عليه و ان هو اثبت
في النفس من كثير من الشواذ المحكية عنم ليست له روايته ولا توفيقه
ولا هدايته فاما ما روينا في ذلك فكتاب ابي حاتم سهل بن محمد بن

عثمان السجستاني وروينا ايضا فى كتاب ابى علي محمد
بن المستنير فطرب رحمه الله من هذه السواد صدرا كبدرا غير ان كتاب ابى
حاتم اجمع من كتاب قطرب *

The work is arranged according to Sûrahs of the Qurân.

Hâj Khal., vol. v, p. 105, describes the present work as a commentary on the *Kitâb ash-Shawâd* of Abû Bakr Aḥmad bin Mûsâ bin al-Mujâhid; but it is evidently an original work. The title given on fol. 1^a is كتاب المحتسب فى شرح السواد; and by the word شرح is understood an exposition, not a commentary. In Buḡyat al-Wu'ât (*loc. cit.*), however, the work is entitled اعراب السواد.

Only two other copies of the work are known, one in the Library of Kuprîlizâdah, No. 29, and the other in the Library of Râgîb Pâshâ, No. 13.

Two short notes are given at the end, reproducing the author's autograph notes on his own copy. The first begins thus وما وجد بخط مؤلفه على ظهر الجلد من كتابه, and the second begins with the word وبخطه. This shows that the present MS. was transcribed from a copy, which had been in the author's hands.

Written in ordinary Arabian Naskḥ.

Dated the 18th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1068=A.D. 1657.

Scribe: ناچ الدين محمد الحنفى.

A flyleaf at the end contains a note, explaining the meaning of some Arabic idioms.

No. 1214.

fol. 670; lines 21; size 10¼ × 6¾; 8 × 4.

جامع البيان فى القراءات السبع

JÂMI' AL-BAYÂN FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB'.

A rare and comprehensive work on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, by Abû 'Amr 'Uṣmân bin Sa'îd ad-Dânî al-Qurṭubî ابو عمرو عثمان بن سعيد الدانى القرطبي.

Beginning:—

حدثني الفقيه المقرئ ابو داود قال حدثني شيخنا ابو عمرو عثمان
بن سعيد بن عمرو الفقيه المقرئ المغربي الاموي

قراءة منبى عليه في منزله بمدينة دانية من كتابى وهو يمك امله في
ربيع الآخر سنة اربعين و اربعمائة قلت له قلت رضى الله عنكم الحمد لله
بارى الانام بحكمته و فاطر السموات و الارض بقدرته الاول بلا عديل و الآخر بلا
مثيل النخ *

The author, a great Qârî of Spain, was born at Dâniyah in A.H. 371=A.D. 981. From A.H. 386=A.D. 996 he applied himself to his studies. In A.H. 397=A.D. 1006 he journeyed to the east, made the Ḥajj pilgrimage, and spent four months at Qairawân and a year in Cairo. On his return to Spain, in Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 399=A.D. 1008, he settled in his native town, where he died in Shawwâl, A.H. 444=A.D. 1053. He acquired much traditional learning from the lips of Ibn Ġalbûn (*d.* A.H. 389=A.D. 998) and other great masters. The number of works composed by him, as stated by Ad-Dahabî, *Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ'*, fol. 91^a, amounted to one hundred and twenty. Brock., vol. i, p. 407, enumerates nine compositions of his, all of them on the various readings and correct pronunciation of the Qurân. For his life see *Mir'ât al-Janân*, fol. 256^a; *Dustûr al-I'lâm*, fol. 47^b; *Dahabî's Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ'*, fol. 91^a; *Tadkirat al-Huffâz*, vol. iii, p. 16; *Yâqût*, vol. v, p. 35; *Nafḥ at-Tîb*, vol. i, p. 386.

The work is divided into thirty *Bâb* as follows:—

- I. Fol. 5^a. باب ذكر الخبر الوارد عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم بان القرآن انزل على سبعة احرف و بان ما ينطوى عليه من المعانى و يشتمل عليه من الوجوه *
- II. Fol. 17^a. باب ذكر الاخبار الواردة بالحض على اتباع الائمة من السلف فى القراءة و الممسك بها ادلة الائمة القراءة عنهم *
- III. Fol. 21^a. باب ذكر اسماء ائمة القراءة و الناقلين عنهم و انسابهم و كنائهم و مواطنهم و وفاتهم و نكت من مناقبهم و اخبارهم *
- IV. Fol. 41^a. باب ذكر تسمية ائمة القراآت الذين نقلو عنهم القراءة و ادوها بهم عن رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم *

- V. Fol. 61^b. باب ذكر الاسانيد التي نقلت البنا القراءة عن ائمة
القراءة رواية وادت الينا الحروف عنهم تلاوة *
- VI. Fol. 100^b. باب ذكر مذاههم فى التسمية و الفصل بها بين
السورتين *
- VII. Fol. 108^a. باب ذكر قولهم في ضم مدم الجمع و في اسكانها
- VIII. Fol. 114^a. باب ذكر مذهب ابى عمرو فى الادغام
- IX. Fol. 128^b. باب ذكر مذاههم فى زيادة النكبين لحرف
المد و اللين اذا التقين بالهمزات فى المنصل
و المنصل *
- X. Fol. 146^b. باب ذكر مذاههم فى الهمزتين المتلاصقتين
فى كلمة *
- XI. Fol. 154^b. باب ذكر مذاههم فى الهمزتين المتلاصقتين فى
كلمتين *
- XII. Fol. 165^a. باب ذكر مذاههم فى الهمزة المفردة *
- XIII. Fol. 165^b. باب ذكر بيان مذهب ورش عن نافع فى تسهيل
الهمزة الساكنة و المتحركة *
- XIV. Fol. 170^b. باب ذكر بيان مذهب الاعشى عن عاصم فى تسهيل
الهمزة *
- XV. Fol. 172^o. باب ذكر مذهب ابى عمرو فى ترك الهمزة الساكنة
دون المتحركة *
- XVI. Fol. 174^a. باب ذكر بيان مذهب هشام عن ابن عامر و حمزة
فى الوقف على الهمزة المتطرفة *
- XVII. Fol. 180^b. باب ذكر بيان مذهب حمزة فى تسهيل الهمزة
المنوسطة *
- XVIII. Fol. 192^b. باب ذكر مذاههم فى القاء حركة الهمزة على الساكن
قبلها و فى تحقيقها *
- XIX. Fol. 195^b. باب ذكر مذاههم فى السكوت على الساكن الواقع
قبل الهمزة و فى وصله معا *

- XX. Fol. 198^b. باب ذكر مذاهبهم فى الازهار و الادغام للحروف
السواكن *
- XXI. Fol. 214^a. باب ذكر احوال النون الساكنة و التنوين و مذاهبهم
فى بيان الغنة و ادغامها *
- XXII. Fol. 223^a. باب ذكر مذاهبهم فى الفتح و الامالة
- XXIII. Fol. 254^a. باب ذكر مذاهبهم فى الوقف على الممال فى
الوصل *
- XXIV. Fol. 260^a. باب ذكر مذهب الكسائى و الاعشى عن ابى بكر
عن عاصم فى امالة هاء النانث و ما قبلها عند
الوقف *
- XXV. Fol. 264^b. باب ذكر مذهب ورش عن نافع فى امالة الراء
سبرا و فى اخلاص فتحها *
- XXVI. Fol. 272^b. باب ذكر الامالات و مذهب ورش و غيره عن الرواة
عن ائمة القراءة فى توقيفهم و تغليظهم *
- XXVII. Fol. 277^a. باب ذكر مذاهبهم فى الوقف على مرسوم الخط
و بيان ما اختلفوا فيه من ذلك *
- XXVIII Fol. 291^a. باب ذكر مذاهبهم فى الوقف على الحركات الآتية
فى اواخر الكلم و معنى الروم و الاشمام *
- XXIX. Fol. 296^b. باب ذكر الحروف المتفرقة و اختلافهم فيها *
- XXX. Fol. 663^a. باب ذكر التكبير فى قراءة ابن كثير و ذكر الاخبار
الواردة عن المبكى فى ذلك *

For other copies see Cairo, vol. i, p. 94; and Nûr 'Uṣmāniyah, No. 62. See also Hâj Khal., vol. ii, p. 507; and Brock, vol. i, p. 407.

Written in fair small Naskh, with the headings in red. Dated the 18th Shahân, A.H. 1295=A.D. 1878.

Scribe: مصطفى ابراهيم خادم الاسناد الخلوٲى.

No. 1215.

fol. 153 ; lines 15 ; size $6\frac{3}{4} \times 5$; $5 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

(Two separate works bound together.)

fol. 1—44.

I.

كتاب التهذيب

KITÂB AT-TAHDÎB.

A work dealing with only those principles of Qirâ'at, which are peculiar to each of the seven great Qurân-readers.

By the same Ad-Dânî.

Beginning:—

قال ابو عمرو عثمان بن سعيد المقرئ رضى الله عنه الحمد لله الذى
هدانا لدينه المرتضى و عرفنا بمحمد نبينه المصطفى الخ

The plan and arrangement of the work is set forth in the preface thus:—

فان نيتي قويت فى تصنيف ما تفرد به كل واحد من القراء السبعة
رحمهم الله من الاظهار و الادغام و الهمز و تركه و نقل الحركة و الامالة و بين
اللفظين و من فرش الحروف من اوله الى آخره حتى آتى على جميع
ما تفرد به كل واحد منهم من ذلك و من غيره مما لم يوافقه عليه احد
من القراء فاذكر اول ما تفرد به كل واحد منهم فى الروايتين المشهورتين عنه
ثم انبع ذلك ما تفرد به في هذه الرواية من جميع ما تقدم ذكره و الشخص
ذلك و اهديه فادل على جليبه و خفيه لكى يعم نفعه و تكثر فائدته ان شاء
الله عز و جل *

Contents:—

[باب] ذكر ما تفرد به نافع بن ابي نعيم في روايته من اول

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الى آخره *

Fol. 6^a. باب ذكر ما تفرد به نافع من رواية ورش من اول القرآن

الى آخره *

- Fol. 6^b. باب ذكر الهمزة المنحركة
- Fol. 7^a. باب ذكر ما تفرد به من ترويق الراآت وغيرها
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- Fol. 8^a. باب ذكر ما تفرد به من الحروف
- Fol. 9^a. باب ذكر ما تفرد به ابن كثير في روايته من اول القرآن الى آخره *
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- Fol. 15^a. باب ذكر ما تفرد به ابو عمرو من طريقته عن الزيدى من اول القرآن الى آخره *
- Fol. 18^b. باب ذكر مذهب ابي عمرو في ادعاء الحرفين المثليين والمتقارنين *
- Fol. 22^a. باب ذكر ما تفرد به ابو عمرو في رواية اهل العراق
- Fol. 22^b. باب ذكر ما تفرد به ابو عمرو من طريق اهل الرقة
- Fol. 23^b. باب ذكر ما تفرد به ابن عامر في روايته من اول القرآن الى آخره *
- Fol. 27^a. باب ذكر ما تفرد به ابن عامر في رواية هشام عن اصحابه عنه من اول القرآن الى آخره *
- Fol. 29^a. باب ذكر ما تفرد به عاصم في روايته من اول القرآن الى آخره *
- Fol. 30^a. باب ذكر ما تفرد به عاصم في رواية ابي بكر عنه من اول القرآن الى آخره *
- Fol. 38^b. باب ذكر ما تفرد به حمزة في رواية خلف عن سليمان عنه من اول القرآن الى آخره *
- Fol. 39^a. [باب] ذكر ما تفرد به حمزة في رواية خلاد عن سليمان عنه من اول القرآن الى آخره *
- Fol. 39^b. باب ذكر ما تفرد به الكسائي في روايته من اول القرآن الى آخره *
- Fol. 40^b. باب ذكر الادغام
- Fol. 42^b. باب اصل الكسائي في امالة هاء التانيث عند الوقف

Fol. 43^b. باب ذكر ما تفرد به الكسائي في رواية ابي عمرو الدوري
من اول القرآن الى آخره *

Fol. 44^b. باب ذكر ما تفرد به الكسائي في رواية ابي العاتر من اول
القرآن الى آخره *

The only other copy of the work, so far as is known, is in the
Ayâ Şûfiyah Library, No. 39.

fol. 45-153.

II.

كتاب التيسير في القراءات السبع

KITÂB AT-TAISÎR FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB'.

The well-known treatise on the various readings of the seven
canonical Qurân-readers, by the same Ad-Dânî.

Beginning:—

قال ابو عمرو عثمان بن سعيد بن عثمان المقرئ الحافظ رضى الله عنه
الحمد لله المتفرد بالدوام المتطول بالانعام خالق الخلق بعدرته ومدبر الامر
بحكمته اما بعد فانكم سألتمونى احسن الله ارشادكم
ان اصنف لكم كتابا مختصرا في مذهب القراء السبعة الن *

We are told, in the preface, that the work was composed at the
request of certain persons (probably, the author's pupils), its object
being to supply a book which should be easy to study, and which
should contain a brief and well-written exposition of the seven
canonical readings of the Qurân. The author states that he proposes
to give two versions of each reading.

The work begins with a chapter, containing short biographical
notices of the chief Qurân-readers and their eminent followers.

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 579—89; Br. Mus. Suppl.,
No. 84; Gotha. No. 350; India Office, No. 41; Ayâ Şûfiyah, No 35;
Kûprilizâdah, No. 14; Cairo, vol. i, pp. 34, 40, 43; Bodleian, vol. ii,
p. 87; Brill's Catalogue, 1886, No. 319; Râmpûr, p. 46; Âsafiyah, p.
296; and Bûhâr, No. 1.

The work has been lithographed at Delhi, A.H. 1328.

The MS. was transcribed by Muhammad bin 'Abdalmuhaimin for his own use.

Written in old Arabian Naskḥ, with some marginal notes. The headings are in red.

Dated A.H. 726=A.D. 1326.

The last folio contains four notes by a certain Mûsâ bin Muhammad al-Qurashî, recording the dates of the birth of his daughter and of three sons. Another note on the same folio, dated Wednesday, the 6th Rabi' II, A.H. 785=A.D. 1383, records the date of the birth of one Sayyid 'Abdallâh bin Ma'mûn ad-Damanhûrî.

The MS. was presented to the library by Dr. Aşdar 'Alî Khân of Patna in 1897.

No. 1216.

fol. 167; lines 11; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $7 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the second work, included in No. 1215 above

Beginning:—

الحمد لله خالق الخلق بقدرته ومدير الامر بحكمته الخ *

Both on the title-page and in the colophon is given the name of Sultân al-Malik az-Zâhir Muḥammad Abû Sa'îd Jaqmaq (A.H. 842—857=A.D. 1438—1453), for whom the MS. was transcribed by Aḥmad bin Ḥusain bin 'Alî al-Mundirî at the Madrasah Al-Manşûriyah (founded by Sultân al-Malik al-Manşûr Qalâ'ûn of Egypt; see Husn al-Muḥâdarah, fol. 189^a). The colophon runs thus:—

كتب هذا التيسير المبارك لجمع الروايات السبعة برسم المقام الشريف
العالى السلطان الاعظم المالك الملك الظاهر محمد ابى سعيد جقمق
اعز الله انصاره بمحمد وآله من كتابة الفقير الى الله تعالى احمد بن
حسين بن على المندري الامام بالمدرسة المنصورية غفر الله له ولوالديه
والمسلمين اجمعين في شهر صفر سنة خمس واربعين وثمان مائة *

Written in good, neat, and vocalised Naskḥ. The headings are mostly in gold, but in some cases in blue or red. The title-page is richly illuminated.

Dated A.H. 845=A.D. 1441.

No. 1217.

fol. 103; lines 15: size $10\frac{3}{4} \times 7$; $7\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same

Another copy of the same work, with some marginal notes extracted from the *Taḥbīr at-Taisīr* of Al-Jazarī (No. 1220 below).

Beginning:—

فرأت على ابي داؤد سليمان بن نجاح الاموى الحمد لله
المتفرد بالدوام و المتطول بالانعام *

The MS., dated Damascus, the 9th Rajab, A.H. 864=A.D. 1460, was transcribed by Muḥammad bin Muḥammad bin 'Alī al-Ḥalabī al-Hanafī, probably identical with the commentator on Al-Kāshgārī's *Munyat al-Muṣallī* (see Paris, Nos. 1147—8), who died in A.H. 879=A.D. 1474

In a note at the end of the work (fol. 99^a), we are told that the present MS. was collated with the copy read in the presence of [٩] بن الجراعى. The date of this note has been partly cut off in the binding; but it is probably the 7th Shawwāl, A.H. 865=A.D. 1461. The words *ومد فى حنانه الجراعى* show that الجراعى was alive then. Another note, below the above, runs thus:—

بلغ مقابلة بحسب الطاقة و الامكان على نسخة التكبير للعلامة ابن
الجزرى فصح بحمد الله و الحمد لله وحده بتأريخ ثانى عشرى ربيع الآخر
من شهر سنة احدى و ثلاثين و تسعمائة على يد مالكة احمد بن
احمد الطيبى المقرئ الشافعى *

According to this, the marginal notes in the present MS. were compared by Ahmad bin Ahmad at-Tibī (d. A.H. 979=A.D. 1571; see Brock., vol. ii, p. 320) with a copy of the *Taḥbīr at-Taisīr* of Al-Jazarī on the 22nd Rabī II, A.H. 931=A.D. 1525.

The last four foll. contain, among miscellaneous notes and extracts, a poem by Abu'l-Khair Shamsaddin Muḥammad bin Muḥammad al-Jazarī (d. A.H. 833=A.D. 1429).

Beginning:—

سألتكم يا مقرئى الارض كلها حروفا اتت فى الذكر للسبعة الملاء

This is followed by a short piece, containing altogether six verses, by As-Şarşarî, evidently Abû Zakariyâ Yahyâ bin Yûsuf al-Anşârî aş-Şarşarî (*d.* A.H. 656=A.D. 1258; see *Mir'ât al-Janân*, fol. 415^b).

Beginning :—

اتخذ بمعنى جاء بالقصر تاليا كمثل اتاها امرنا وتدبرا

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red. Dated A.H. 864=A.D. 1460.

The title-page contains notes by several former owners of the MS, two of which are of great importance, viz., one by Aḥmad bin Aḥmad bin Badr at-Ṭibî (*d.* A.H. 979=A.D. 1571), the author of the poem, entitled *حوار تقلد الشافعى على مذهب الامام ابى حنيفة*, and the other by 'Abdallaṭîf bin 'Abdal-Mun'im, commonly called Ibn al-Jâbî ash-Shâfi'i al-Muqrî, a scholar of some reputation, who held the post of Qâḍî at Damascus, and died on Saturday, the 2nd *Shahbân*, A.H. 1026=A.D. 1617. See *Khulâsat al-Aṣḥar*, vol. iii, p. 17.

No. 1218.

fol. 157 : lines 13 ; size $10\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work.

Beginning :—

فرأت على ابى داود المقرئ سليمان بن دجاج الاموى
الحمد لله المتفرد بالدوام والمتطول بالانعام خالق الخلق قدوته ومدبر
لامر بحكمته الخ *

Foll. 25, 72—73, 80—88, 95—100, 141—151 and 155—157 have been added in a later hand. According to a Persian note at the end, they were supplied by 'Inâyatallâh bin Muḥammad Faḍlallâh al-'Uṣmânî al-Muḥammadi ash-Shâfi'i, in the grand mosque of Delhi at the instance of Mîrzâ Şaff-Shikan Khân.

Written in fair Naskh, within red and blue ruled borders with an illuminated frontispiece.

Not dated ; probably 16th century.

The title-page contains a seal bearing the name of the above-mentioned Mirzâ Şaff-Shikan Khân, dated A. H. 1250=A.D. 1834.

No. 1219.

fol. 127 ; lines 16 ; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red, within gold and black ruled borders

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

The last nine foll., which are written in a later hand, contain the following four tracts:—

I. A tract on the orthography of the Qurân, divided into 14 chapters, or *Faṣl*.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتقين و بعد وهذه
رسالة تتعلق بالتجويد النخ *

II. A tract on the orthography of *Sûrat al-Fâtihah*, i.e., the first chapter of the Qurân.

Beginning :—

فائدة حسنة تجويد الفاتحة اذا اردت قراءة الفاتحة النخ *

III. A tract dealing with the places in the Qurân, where *Waqf* (a full-stop) is not permissible.

Beginning :—

فهذه فائدة فى معرفة الاوقاف التي يحرم الوقوف عليها النخ *

IV. A tract on the difference between *التنوين* and *النون الساكنة*

Beginning :—

النون الساكنة و التنوين لهما عند حروف الهجاء خمسة احكام النخ *

Two flyleaves, at the beginning, contain a key in tabular form, explaining the abbreviations used by Ash-Shâtibî (*d.* A.H. 590=A.D. 1194) in his versified work, entitled *المنظومة الشاطبية*.

No. 1220.

foll. 64 ; lines 25 ; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; 6×4 .

تفسير التيسير

TAḤBÎR AT-TAISÎR.

A commentary on the preceding work, by Shamsaddîn Abu'l-Khair Muḥammad Ibn al-Jazarî الجزرى شمس الدين ابو الخير محمد ابن الجزرى (d. A.H. 833=A.D. 1429 ; see Lib. Cat., vol. xv. No. 1015, ii.)

Beginning:—

قال الشيخ الفاضل العلامة شمس الملة و الدين
 ابو الخير محمد بن محمد بن محمد بن الجزرى السافعي ايد الله ظلال
 افادته على كافة المسلمين و كثر امثاله بين الخلائق اجمعين الحمد لله على
 تكبير التيسير و اشهد ان لا اله الا الله وحده لا شريك له الحكم العدل السميع
 البصير الخ *

The author tells us, in the preface, that the *Kitâb at-Taisîr* of Ad-Dânî and its versified version by Ash-Shâtibî created a general belief that the seven readings of the Qurân, dealt with in these two works, are the only authentic and correct readings. This belief, the author says, he refuted in a previous work, entitled *Tayyibat an-Nashr* (see No. 1246 below), and established three other readings, other than the canonical, as equally authentic in their origin. In the present work he confines himself to a commentary on the *Kitâb at-Taisîr*, incorporating with it the three additional readings.

The preface is followed by a short biographical account of the author of *At-Taisîr*, to whom our author traces his *Isnâd* (chain of successive teachers).

For other copies see Berlin, No. 590 ; Cairo, vol. i, p. 92 ; Râmpûr, p. 46 ; and Nûr 'Uṣmâniyah, No. 60. See also Brock vol. ii, p. 201 ; and Hâj. Khal., vol. ii, p. 488.

Written in small Arabian Naskḥ, with the headings in red
 Not dated ; probably 18th century.

No. 1221.

fol. 94; lines 5-14; size $10\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; 6×4 .

حز الاماني ووجه التهانى

HIRZ AL-AMÂNÎ WA WAJH AT-TAHÂNÎ.

A versified version of Ad-Dânî's *Kitâb at-Taisîr*, by Abû Muhammad al-Qâsim bin Firruh bin Abî'l-Qâsim K̤halaf bin Aḥmad ar-Ru'ainî ash-Shâtîbî أحمد بن أبى القاسم خلف بن احمد بن الرعينى الشاطبى.

Beginning :—

بدأت بسم الله فى النظم أولا تبارك رحمانا رحبما و مولانا

The author, who belonged by race to Dû Ru'ain (a tribe of Yemen), was born at Shâtibah (a large city in the east of Spain) towards the end of A.H. 538=A.D. 1144. He was a great master of the Qurân and tradition, and stood unrivalled in grammar and philology. For some time he held the post of K̤hatîb in his native town. In A.H. 572=A.D. 1176 he came to Cairo, where he was appointed a professor in the Madrasah Al-Fâḥlîyah. He settled there permanently, and died on Sunday, the 28th Jumâdâ II A.H. 590=A.D. 1194. See Ibn K̤hallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. ii, p. 499); Husn al-Muhâḍarah, fol. 148^b; Tabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 131^b; Dustûr al-I'âm, fol. 71^a; Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 365^a; Buḡyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 305^b; Taj at-Tabaqât, vol. vi, part ii, fol. 259^a; Nakt al-Himyan, fol. 69^a; Yâqût, vol. vi, p. 184; and Brock., vol. i, p. 409.

The poem, which is generally known as *Ash-Shâtîbiyah*, consists of 1173 verses, and is the main authority on which the subsequent Qurân-readers rely. The author is reported to have said "No one will read this poem of mine without Almighty God's permitting him to derive profit from it; for I composed it purely and simply with the view of serving Him".

For other copies, see Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 87; Berlin, No. 594; India Office, No. 43; Munchen, No. 101; Gotha, No. 551; Paris, No. 609; Brill, No. 321; Cairo, vol. i, p. 35; Waliaddin, No. 31; Ayâ Şûfiyah, No. 37; Hamidiyah, No. 20; Nûr 'Uşmâniyah, No. 87; Râmpûr, p. 47; Âsafiyah, p. 296. For commentaries, see Brock., vol. i, p. 409; and Hâj. K̤hal., vol. iii, p. 43.

The poem was lithographed in Cairo, A.H. 1308.

Written in fair Nasta'liq, with interlinear and marginal notes.

Dated Wednesday, the 9th Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 1115=A.D. 1704.

Scribe : محمد الشبلي شفيعي.

The title-page contains the seals and signatures of former owners of the MS.

No. 1222.

fol. 35 ; lines 19 ; size $7 \times 4\frac{3}{4}$; 5×3 .

The Same.

Another copy of the preceding poem, with the following title:—

هذه القصيدة الملقبة بحرز الامامى ووجه التهاني نظم الشيخ الامام
المقبرى ابي القاسم ابن فيروز بن خلف بن احمد الرعيني الشاطبي
رضي الله عنه *

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel-points, within double red-ruled borders.

Dated Monday, the 20th Sha'bân, A.H. 1133=A.D. 1721.

No. 1223.

fol. 96 ; lines 13 ; size $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$; $5 \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same poem, with the following title:—

هذا متن الشاطبية في القراءات السبع تأليف الامام العالم العلامة
الشيخ الشاطبي عفر الله له ولوالديه *

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel-points, within red-ruled borders. Slightly water-stained.

Dated A.H. 1176=A.D. 1763.

No. 1224.

fol. 139; lines 18; size 10 × 6; 8 × 4½.

شرح الشاطبية

SHARḤ ASH-SHĀṬIBĪYAH.

A commentary on the preceding poem, by 'Alamaddin Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alī bin Muḥammad bin 'Abdaṣṣamad al-Hamdānī as-Sakhāwī السخاوي علم الدين ابو الحسن علي بن محمد بن عبد الصمد الحمداني.

Beginning :—

احمد لله رب العالمين و صلواته على سيدنا محمد خاتم النبيين
و المرسلين و على آله و صحبه اجمعين - قال الشيخ الفقيه الامام المقرئ
الحافظ ابو الفاسم الشاطبي رحمه الله الخ *

The author, As-Sakhāwī, was born at Sakhā (a village in Egypt) in A.H. 558=A.D. 1163. He studied at Cairo under Abū Muḥammad Qāsim ash-Shāṭibī (d. A.H. 590=A.D. 1194), and acquired under his tuition a sound knowledge of the various readings of the Qurān, grammar and philology. After completing his education at Alexandria, he proceeded to Damascus, where he was held in great esteem for his profound learning and courtesy. He wrote, besides the present work and those mentioned in Brock., vol. i, p. 410, a commentary on *Al-Mufaṣṣal* of Az-Zamakhsharī (d. A.H. 538=A.D. 1143) and a commentary on the Qurān up to Sūrah الكيف. He died at Damascus on the 12th Jumāda II, A.H. 643=A.D. 1245. See Dhabī's *Ṭabaqāt al-Qurrā'*, fol. 148^b; Ibn Khallikān (De Slane's translation, vol. ii, p. 281); *Mir'āt al-Janān*, fol. 405^a; *Ṭabaqāt* by Ibn al-Mulaqqin, 57^a; *Ṭabaqāt* by Al-Isnawī, fol. 127^b; *Ṭabaqāt* by Ibn Qāḍī Shuhbah, fol. 81^b; *Ṭabaqāt al-Kubrā* by As-Subkī, vol. vi, fol. 244^b; *Dustūr al-Ilām*, fol. 62^b; *Tāj at-Ṭabaqāt*, vol. vii, part i, fol. 175^b; *Buḡyat al-Wu'āt*, fol. 284^a; *Ṭabaqāt al-Mufasssirin* by Ad-Dā'ūdī, fol. 70^b; and Brock., vol. i, p. 410.

The present commentary only explains the verbal difficulties of the poem of Ash-Shāṭibī. In Hāj. Khal., vol. iii, p. 44, it is entitled *العنع الوسط في شرح القصيد*; but the title-page of the present MS. reads: *كتاب النكت المفيدة في شرح القصيدة*.

For other copies see Paris, No. 611; München, No. 102; Cairo, vol. i, p. 104; Nūr 'Usmānīyah, No. 74; and Āṣafīyah, p. 300.

The present copy contains the following two appendices :—

I. عمدة المفيد و عدة المجيد, a poem of sixty verses on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by the same As-Sakhâwî, fol. 137^b.

Beginning:—

يا من يريد تلاوة القرآن و يريد شأؤم من الاتقــــــــــــــــان

For other copies see Berlin, No. 497; and Alger, No. 561, vi. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 266.

II. A poem of twenty-two verses, by Abu'l-Hasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad al-Khazraǧî (see Berlin, No. 3432), fol. 139^a.

Beginning:—

يا سائلني عن كتاب الله مجتهدا و عن ترب مايتاي من المضر

In this poem, the order of the revelation of Sûrahs of the Qurân is set forth

The MS. was transcribed by 'Abdalqâdir bin 'Abdannûr bin Ahmad bin 'Umar al-Yazîdî for a certain Shamsaddîn 'Alî bin Ibrâhîm al-Bajalî.

Written in Arabian Naskḥ, with occasional vowel-points. Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained. Dated Tuesday, the 17th Rabî' I, A.H. 929=A.D. 1523.

The correct order of the folios should be: 1—51, 57, 55—56, 53—54, 52, 58—99, 106—109, 104—105, 100—103 and 110—139.

No. 1225.

fol. 224; lines 21; size $8 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

كنز المعاني في شرح حزر الاماني

KANZ AL-MA'ÂNÎ FÎ SHARḤ HIRZ AL-AMÂNÎ.

A commentary on the same poem of Ash-Shâtibî, by Shamsaddîn Abû Abdallâh Muḥammad bin Ahmad bin Ahmad bin al-Husain al-Mawṣilî, better known as Shu'lah al-Hanbalî شمس الدين ابو عبد الله محمد بن احمد بن احمد بن الحسين الموصلي المعروف بشعلة الحنبلي.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي افلح القرآن على سبعة احرف كلها شاف
واف بعد فلما ترتبت مزينة العلوم على مزينة المعلوم عرائسها
النفائس لا تغلى مهورها الخ *

The author was born at Mawṣil in A.H. 623=A.D. 1226. He studied under Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alī bin 'Abdal-'azīz al-Anmâṭī al-Irbilī (who was born in A.H. 610=A.D. 1213, and was alive up to A.H. 676=A.D. 1278; see *Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ'* by Aḍ-Ḍahabī, fol. 168^b). Our author soon acquired a great knowledge of the various readings of the Qurân, grammar and law. He wrote several works, and died at Mawṣil on the 25th Ṣafar, A.H. 656=A.D. 1258, or, according to another version, in Baġdâd, A.H. 650=A.D. 1252. For further particulars of his life and works see *Ṭabaqât al-Ḥanâbilah* by Ibn Rajab al-Ḥanbalī, vol. ii, fol. 76^a; *Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ'* by Aḍ-Ḍahabī, fol. 160^a; *Dustûr al-Ilâm*, fol. 73^a; *Tâj at-Ṭabaqât*, vol. vii, part i, fol. 221^a; and *Mir'ât al-Janân*, fol. 415^a.

In the present commentary, the comments on each verse are divided into three parts. In the first, to which the letter ب is prefixed, lexicographical difficulties are solved; in the second, which is separated from the first by the letter ح, grammatical difficulties are explained; and in the third, distinguished by the letter ص, the meaning of the verse is explained. The letters ب, ح and ص are written in red ink.

For other copies see Berlin, No. 604; Cairo, vol. i, p. 104; *Ayâ Sûfiyah*, No. 46; Râmpûr, p. 53; and *Âsafiyah*, p. 302. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. iii, p. 44.

The work was printed in A.H. 1288.

Written in small and fair Naskh, with quotations from the text in large characters.

Dated the 27th Muḥarram, A.H. 1046=A.D. 1636.

Scribe : محمد بن الحاج مصطفى الدرنوبى.

No. 1226.

fol. 346; lines 15-16; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

Written in different hands, both Naskh and Nasta'liq. Seriously worm-eaten.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1227.

foll. 232; lines 24; size 11 × 6; 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 4.

الآلي الفريده في شرح القصيده

AL-LA'ÂLÎ AL-FARÎDAH FÎ SHARH AL-QAŞÎDAH.

A commentary on the same poem of Ash-Shâtîbî, by Jamâladdîn Abû 'Abdallâh Muhammad bin al-Ḥasan bin Muhammad bin Yûsuf al-Fâsî al-Maġribî al-Ḥanafî al-Muqrî بن محمد بن يوسف الفاسي المغربي الحنفي المقرئ الحسن بن محمد بن يوسف الفاسي المغربي الحنفي المقرئ.

Complete in two separate volumes.

Vol. I.

Beginning:—

يقول العبد الفقير الى رحمة ربه المستغفر من ذنبه محمد بن حسن المقرئ عفى الله عنه الحمد لله الذي انزل على عبده الكتاب و وعد من تلاه فوعده به جزيل الثواب اما بعد فان جماعة من القراء المستغلبين بقصيدة الشبغ الامام ابي القاسم الشاطبي رحمه الله سألوني ان اشرحها لهم شرحا يعيذهم على فهمها و يوفهم على علمها فوفقت عن ذلك زمانا لاختلاف اغراضهم في التكاثير و التقليل اذ الجمع بيدهما في شرح واحد مستحيل تم استخرجت الله تعالى في جمع شرح وسط لا اميل فيه الى الاكثار ولا اخل فيه بالمقصود لقصد الاختصار فجمعت على ما رأيت من الترتيب و آثرت من التخليص و التقريب و سميت بالآلي الفريده في شرح القصيدة الخ *

The author, who belonged to the Ḥanafî school, was born at Fâs some time after A.H. 580=A.D. 1185. At an early age, he came to Ḥalab, where he was educated under several eminent scholars. He also studied in Cairo under two distinguished disciples of Ash-Shâtîbî, viz., Abû Mûsâ 'Isâ bin Yûsuf bin Ismâ'îl al-Maqdisî and 'Abdarrahmân bin Sa'id ash-Shâfi'î. Our author was the foremost Qurân-reader of Ḥalab in his time. He died at Ḥalab in A.H. 656=A.D. 1258. See *Tabaqât al-Qurrâ'* by Aḍ-Ḍahabî, fol. 158^b; *Al-Jawâ-*

hir al-Muḍīyah, vol. ii, fol. 9^b; Dustūr al-I'lām, fol. 102^b; Mir'āt al-Janân, fol. 415^a; and Tâj at-Tabaqât vol. vii, part i, fol. 234^a.

For other copies see Ayâ Şūfiyah, No. 49; Nûr 'Uṣmânīyah, No. 75; and Âsafiyah, p. 300. See also Haḡ. Khal., vol. iii, p. 44. There it is stated that the work was completed in A.H. 672=A.D. 1274, but this is obviously wrong.

Written in small and fair Naskḥ. Slightly worm-eaten. It appears, from the original pagination of the MS., that foll. 65 and 72, which should come in their proper order, have been wrongly placed in binding after foll. 71 and 64, respectively.

Dated A.H. 1226=A.D. 1811.

Scribe : ملا عبد الصمد .

No. 1228.

foll. 194; lines 23; size $11 \times 7\frac{3}{4}$; 9×6 .

The Same.

Vol. II.

A very old copy of the second volume of the same work, beginning with the heading : سورة آل عمران

Written in fair Arabian Naskḥ.

Dated the 17th Shā'ban, A.H. 669=A.D. 1271.

Scribe : علي بن الحسن بن علي الطفونجي .

The last page contains the following note by a certain Muḡammad bin ash-Shaikh Ridwân about his purchase of the MS. :—

دخل في ملك الفقير الى ربه الغني محمد بن الشيخ رضوان
الحافظ المصري الشافعي في محلة الميدان الوطاني في زقاق البصل
حز في غرة رجب سنة ١٢٨١

No. 1229.

foll. 193; lines 21; size 10 × 6; 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ × 4 $\frac{1}{2}$.

ابراز المعاني من حرز الاماني

IBRÂZ AL- MA'ÂNÎ MIN ĤIRZ
AL-AMÂNÎ.

A remarkable and very old copy of the first half of a commentary on the same poem of Ash-Shâtîbî, by Shihâbaddîn Abu'l-Qâsim 'Abdarrahmân bin Ismâ'il bin Ibrâhîm, better known as Abû Shâm-ah شهاب الدين ابو القاسم عبدالرحمن بن اسمعيل بن ابراهيم المعروف بابي شامه (*d. A.H. 665=A.D. 1268*; see *Lib. Cat.*, vol v, part ii, No. 380).

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي اسبغ علينا نعمة و افاض لدينا مكنة و انزل اليها كتابه
الذي فصل آياته فاحكمه و اتقنه و جعلنا من حملته و خدام شرعه الذي
علمنا فروضه و سننه و خصنا بارسال اكرم الخلق محمد بن عبد الله خاتم
انبيائه و سيد اصفيائه الخ *

The author states, in the preface, that Ash-Shâtîbî, the author of the original poem, encouraged him in a dream to write the present commentary. He began the work in a very diffuse style; but after writing up to باب الممرتنين, he discovered that the method adopted was a mistaken one, and consequently he abridged the portion already composed, and finished the work in a much more compendious style than that originally contemplated.

The MS. ends with the chapter: باب مذاهبهم في الزوائد اي في الباءات, the last line of the poem commented upon being:—

سامضى على شرطي و بالله اكتفى

و ماخاب نوجد اذا هو حسبلا

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 606-7; Br. Mus., No. 1558; Nûr 'Uṣmâniyah, No. 73; Ayâ Sûfiyah, No. 48; Waliaddîn, No. 16; Râmpûr, p. 44; and Âṣafiyaḥ, p. 300. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. iii, p. 44.

Written in small closely written and cursive Persian Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated the 23rd Rabî' II, A.H. 778=A.D. 1376.

Scribe : محمد بن علي بن حسن بن مردان شاه المعروف ببهرامي الهروي .

Two flyleaves, at the beginning, contain, besides miscellaneous notes and extracts, an anonymous poem on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, beginning as follows :—

الا قد حمدت الله في القول اولا
الها عليمنا قادرا متفضلا

The title-page contains a note by 'Umar bin Shamsaddin Ahmad al-Qastamûnî, stating that the MS. was purchased by him, at Brussa for 65 Dirhams.

No. 1230.

fol. 260 ; lines 23 ; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; 6×4 .

كنز المعاني

KANZ AL-MA'ÂNÎ.

A well-known commentary on the same poem of Ash-Shâtîbî, by Burhânaddin Abu'l-'Abbâs Ibrâhîm bin 'Umar bin Ibrâhîm bin Khalîl al-Ja'barî ar-Raba'î (d. A.H. 732=A.D. 1332), for some account of whom see Lib. Cat , vol. xii, No. 706.

Complete in two separate volumes

Vol. I.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله مبدى الامم و منشى الرمم الذى علم بالقلم علم الانسان

ما لم يعلم الخ *

The introduction consists of two sections, as follows :—

I. The origin of the various readings of the Qurân and the Prophet's directions regarding them.

II. A short biographical sketch of Ash-Shâtîbî, the author of the text.

The comments on each verse consist of three *Anwâ'* (parts), as follows :—

- (i) الاول فى اللغة و الاعراب و الببان
 (ii) الثانى فى شرح معانى الكلام
 (iii) التالى فى توجيہ وجوه القراءات

The volume ends with the chapter : باب مذاہبہم فى الزوائد اى . باب حکم اختلافہم فى البائت الزوائد .

According to Hâj. Khal., vol. iii, p. 43, the work was completed in the month of Sha'bân, A.H. 691=A.D. 1292.

For other copies see Berlin, No. 611; Gotha, No. 554; München, No. 103; Alger, No. 371; Cairo, vol. i, p. 100; Ayâ Şûfiyah, No. 47; Walîaddîn, Nos. 17—20; Nûr ' Uşmânîyah, Nos. 70—72; and Râmpûr, p. 50.

Written in a pointed Naskh, with occasional marginal notes.

Dated the 18th Rabî' I, A.H. 1008=A.D. 1599.

Scribe : ابراهيم بن علي .

No. 1231.

fol. 335; lines 25; size $12 \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4$

The Same.

Vol. II.

The second volume of the same work, beginning with باب فرش الحروف.

The volume ends with a *Faṣl*, containing short biographical notices of those Qurân-readers, whose names occur incidentally in the present work.

The colophon runs thus:—

تم الكتاب المبارك بحمد الله وعونه وحسن توفيقه بتاريخ تاسع شهر
 محرم الحرام من شهر سنة ٢٩ جلوس مبارك مطابق سنة الف وتسعين
 وسع وذلك على يد افقر عباد الله تعالى و احوجهم الى عفوه و مغفرته
 ابو البركات بن شينم ابى محمد زاهدى *

Written in fair Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated the 9th Muḥarram, A.H. 1097=A.D. 1685.

Scribe : ابو المركات بن شيخ ابى محمد زاهدى .

The title-page contains two seals bearing the inscription افضل
عبد الله محمد , dated A.H. 1135=A.D. 1722.

No. 1232.

fol. 236 ; lines 23 ; size $12\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{4}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

The Same.

Vol. I.

Another copy of the first volume of the same work, beginning like the first volume of the above copy and ending with the following colophon :—

تم الجزء الاول من كتاب كنز المعانى فى شرح حرز الامانى و وجه
التهانى *

The colophon is followed by a note, in the same hand as the text, discussing certain rules about the letter ه (*Hamzah*).

Written in small Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated the 50th year (i.e., A.H. 1118=A.D. 1707) of the reign of 'Ālamgir (A.H. 1069-1118=A.D. 1659-1707).

The title-page contains a seal bearing the inscription افضل
عبد الله محمد , dated A.H. 1135=A.D. A.D. 1722.

No. 1233.

fol. 235 ; lines 21 ; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

سراج القارى

SIRĀJ AL-QĀRĪ.

A commentary on the same poem of Ash-Shâtibî, by Abu'l-Baqâ' 'Alî bin 'Uṣmān bin Muhammad bin Aḥmad, known as Ibn al-Qâṣih al-'Uḍrî al-Baġdâdî احمد بن عثمان بن محمد بن ابي القاسم العدرى البغدادى . المعروف بابن القاصم العدرى البغدادى .

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows :—سراج القارى المندى وتذكرة المقرئ المندى .

Beginning :—

قال مؤلفه السبع الأضام الحمد لله الذي علم القرآن

وزين الإنسان بطق اللسان النخ *

The author, Ibn Al-Qâsiḥ, was born on the 3rd Rajab, A.H. 716=A.D. 1316. He studied under Ismâ'il bin Yûsuf al-Kaffatî (*d.* A.H. 764=A.D. 1362; see *Ad-Durar al-Kâminah*, vol. i, fol. 117^b), and acquired a great knowledge of the various readings of the Qurân and of grammar. He was appointed a teacher of Qurân-reading in the Madrasah, attached to the grand mosque of Mâridîn (a town in Mesopotamia). He wrote several works, and died in Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 801=A.D. 1399. See *Al-Qabas al-Hâwî*, vol. i, fol. 145^a; *Dustûr al-I'lâm*, fol. 112^a; *Husn al-Muḥâdarah*, fol 127^b; and *Brock.*, vol, ii, p. 165.

The author tells us, in the preface, that, though numerous commentaries on the poem of Ash-Shâtibi had been written, they were either over-concise, or more diffuse in treatment than the present work. He tells us further that he derived his material from other commentaries on the same poem, viz., by As-Sakhâwî (No 1224 above); by Al-Fâsî (No. 1227 above); by Abû Shâmah (No 1229 above); and by Al-Ja'barî (No. 1230 above). The preface is followed by a short biographical account of Ash-Shâtibi, the author of the text.

The work was completed, as stated by the author in the colophon, on Thursday, the 18th Sha'bân, A.H. 759=A.D. 1358.

For other copies see Berlin, No. 609; Paris, No. 612; Alger, No. 372; Cairo, vol. i, p. 99; Waliaddîn, No. 25; Nûr 'Uṣmâniyah, No. 68; Râmpûr, p. 50; and Âsafiyah, p. 300.

The work has been twice printed in Cairo, viz., in A.H. 1293 and 1304.

Written in Arabian Naskḥ, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated the 8th Du'l-Qa'dab, A.H. 1050=A.D. 1641.

No. 1234.

fol. 390; lines 19; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

Written in fair Naskh, within double red-ruled borders.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

Scribe: عبد الوهاب بن محمد سالم.

No. 1235.

fol. 85; lines 15; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

كتاب العنوان في القراءات السبع

KITÂB AL-'UNWÂN FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT
AS-SAB'.

A very old and remarkable copy of a work, treating of the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

Author: Abu't-Tâhir Ismâ'il bin Khalaf bin Sa'id bin 'Imrân al-Anṣārī as-Ṣaqlī as-Saraqustī al-Miṣrī سعيد بن خلف بن سعيد بن عمران الأنصاري الصقلي السرقسطي المصري. He was a native of Saraquṣṭah (Saragossa), a city in the east of Spain. He was an eminent grammarian and a great master of the sciences connected with the Qurân. He kept alive his zeal for study and for the communication of its results to the public till his death. Besides the present work, he abridged the *Kitâb al-Hujjah* of 'Abû 'Alī al-Fārisī (No. 1211 above) and *Al-Burhân fi Tafsīr 'Ulûm al-Qurân* of 'Alī bin Ibrâhīm al-Ḥawfī (d. A. H. 430=A. D. 1038). He died in Egypt on Sunday, the 1st Muḥarram, A. H. 455=A. D. 1063. See Ibn Khallikân (De Slane's translation, vol. i, p. 218); Ḥusn al-Muḥâḍarah, fol. 123^b; Buḡyat al-Wu'ât, fol. 153^b; Dustûr al-'Ilâm, fol. 63^a; Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 95^b; and Brock., vol. i, p. 407.

Beginning:—

قال الشيخ ابو طاهر اسمعيل بن خلف المقرئ النحوي رضى الله
عنه الحمد لله الذي انشأنا بقدرته وهدانا للاسلام وفطرته

اما بعد فاني ذاكرفى هذا الكتاب ان شاء الله ما اختلف فيه الفراء السبعة
المشهورون من ائمة الامصار الخ •

We are told, in the preface, that the author had previously written a larger work on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, entitled *Al-Iktifâ'*, which he subsequently abridged to suit beginners in the present concise work. No copy of his larger work seems to be extant; but it has been noticed by Hâj Khal, vol. i, p 388.

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 591-2; and Ayâ Sûfiyah, No. 58. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. iv, pp. 274-5.

The present MS. was transcribed by 'Abdalqawî bin 'Abdallâh bin Ibrâhîm bin Muhammad al-Anmâtî as-Sa'dî, a great Qurân-reader of Egypt, who died in the month of Shawwâl, A.H. 646=A.D. 1248. See *Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ'* by Aḍ-Ḍahabî, fol. 152^a.

Written in fair Naskḥ, with occasional vowel points. Dated A.H. 632=A.D. 1234.

On fol. 86^a the scribe, 'Abdalqawî al-Anmâtî, grants a certificate to his pupil, Shamsaddîn Abû 'Amr 'Usmân bin 'Alî bin Yahyâ al-Khashshâb, who read the MS. with him from beginning to end in the month of Rajab, A.H. 634=A.D. 1237. A similar certificate, dated A.H. 635=A.D. 1238, in the margin of fol. 85^b runs thus:—

قرأ علىَّ هذا الكتاب من اوله الى آخره و تلا عليَّ بما فيه من الروايات
الطريق صاحبه السبع الفقيه العالم المقرئ الضابط الاديب محمد الاصحاب
شمس الدين ابو عمرو عثمان بن الشيخ زكى الدين ابي الحسن علي بن
يحيى المعروف بالخشاب عصمه الله من الزلل و وفقه لصالح العمل
و اجزت له ان يقرئ به لمن شاء و احب فى ابي مصر حلَّ من امصار
المسلمين فهو اهل لذلك و مستحق له كتب ذلك بخط يده الفقير الى
رحمة ربه المعترف بدنده عدد القوى بن عبد الله بن ابراهيم بن محمد
الانماطى فى العشر الاوسط من شهر ربيع الآخر من سنة خمس و ثلثين
و ستمائة *

Fol. 86^b contains a note by 'Uṣmân bin 'Alî bin Yahyâ, better known as Ibn bint Sa'd, dated A.H. 652=A.D. 1254, stating that the

MS. was read by Shihâbaddîn Sha'bân bin Râfi' bin 'Ulaim al-Wâsiṭi in the presence of Kamâladdîn Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin Shujâ' bin Sâlim al-Hâshimî al-Qurashî al-'Abbâsî (*d.* A.H. 661=A.D. 1263; see Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 156^a). The writer of this note, Ibn bint Sa'd, was born at Dâriyâ in A.H. 629=A.D. 1232; and he died in Cairo, A.H. 719=A.D. 1319. See Ṭabaqât al-Kubrâ by As-Subkî, vol. vii, fol. 188^b; and Ad-Durar al-Kâminah, vol. i, fol. 316^a.

Another note by the same Ibn bint Sa'd is found on the title-page.

No. 1236.

fol. 113; lines 21; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 6$; $6 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

المستنير في القراءات العشرة

AL-MUSTANÎR FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AL-'ASHARAH.

A treatise on the ten readings of the Qurân, by Abû Tâhir Ahmad bin 'Alî bin 'Ubaidallâh bin 'Umar bin Siwâr al-Baghdâdî al-Muqrî ad-Darîr ابو طاهر احمد بن على بن عبد الله بن عمر بن سوار البغدادي المقرئ الضرب

Beginning:—

الحمد لله وبي الانعام وبارى الاجسام الخ *

The author, whom Ad-Dahabî describes, on the authority of As-Sam'ânî, as a skilled Qurân-reader and a traditionist of eminent talent, was born at Baghdâd in A.H. 412=A.D. 1021. He studied under 'Utbah bin 'Abdalmalik al-'Usmânî (*d.* A.H. 446=A.D. 1054), Abû Bakr Muḥammad bin 'Alî al-Khayyât (*d.* A.H. 467=A.D. 1074), Ḥasan bin 'Abdallâh al-'Atṭâr (*d.* A.H. 447=A.D. 1055) and several other distinguished scholars. He lived a saintly life, and used to deliver lectures on the Qurân and Ḥadîṣ. He died at his native city in Sha'bân, A.H. 496=A.D. 1103. See Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Ad-Dahabî, fol. 101^b, and Mir'ât al-Janân, fol. 282^b.

The contents of the work, and its method of treatment, have been set forth on fol. 3^a thus:—

و قد صنف اشياخنا رضي الله عنهم كتباً في اختلاف العشرة في

الحروف عارية من الآثار و السنن مما تدعو الحاجة اليها و ما روي من ذلك

عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم و الصحابة و التابعين فاحببت ان اجمع
 كتابا اذكر فيه ما قرأت به على شيوخى الدين اذكرتهم من القراءات تلاوة
 دون ما سمعت و اذكر فيه بعدة من السنن و الآثار و فضائل القرآن و ما جاء
 فى ذلك و البحث على حفظ القرآن و الافراء و تعليم العربية التى يتوصل
 بها الى البحث على المعاني الدقيقة و كل حرف قرأ به احد الائمة
 العشرة على ما اداه الى خافذا سلفهم المتصلة اسانيد قراءتهم برسول الله
 صلى الله عليه وسلم *

The work is mentioned by Haj. *Khal.*, vol. v, p. 526, where he quotes an extract from the preface, and states that the work consists of 156 *Riwāyāt* (traditions).

The work has been used as an authority, particularly for the three additional readings of the Qurān, by several later writers, such as Ṣadaqah bin Salām bin Ḥusain al-Maṣharānī (see Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 90), Muḥammad bin *Khalīl* al-Qubāqibī, the author of *Idāḥ ar-Rumūz* (No. 1250 below), and others.

Another copy of the work is noticed in Nūr ‘Uṣmāniyah, No. 91.

Written in fair Naskḥ, with the headings in red.

Not dated; probably 15th century.

No. 1237.

foll. 39; lines 15; size $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

نزهة البررة في مذاهب القراء العشرة

NUZHAT AL-BARARAH FÎ MADÂHIB AL-QURRÂ' AL-‘ASHARAH.

An old and remarkable copy of a versified work, treating of the various readings of the ten celebrated Qurān-readers, arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurān.

Author: Burhānaddīn Abu'l-‘Abbās Ibrāhīm bin ‘Umar bin Ibrāhīm bin *Khalīl* al-Ja‘barī ar-Raba‘ī (d. A. H. 732 = A. D. 1332; see Lib. Cat., vol. xii, No. 706).

The MS., which is slightly defective at the beginning, opens thus:—

لقد فاز والداد بالتاج زلفة
وفيل له اقرأ و اترك في الدرا

According to the colophon, the present valuable copy, dated the Madrasah Nûriyah, Ba'labakk, A.H. 726=A.D. 1326, was transcribed during the life-time of the author by his pupil, Aḥmad bin Ibrâhîm al-Ba'li, an eminent scholar and poet, who was born in A.H. 710=A.D. 1310, and died in the month of Ramaḍân, A.H. 747=A.D. 1347. See Ad-Durar al-Kâminah, vol. i, fol. 25^b.

The colophon reads thus:—

كتبها لنفسه احمد بن ابراهيم بن صالر [sic] بهديفة بعليک المحروسة
بالمدرسة النورية اثن الله تعالى واقفها ووافق الفراغ منها فى يوم الثلاثاء
الثالث من المحرم سنة ست و عشرين و سبعمائة *

The title-page contains a poem by the same Al-Ja'barî, in praise of the present work, beginning as follows:—

و دونك فزهة لطففت و رافت
معانيها بلفظ عسجدي
حديقة ناظر داعب عبيرا
فاغتنمنا عن المسك الدكي

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel points and marginal notes. Slightly water-stained.

No. 1238.

fol. 14 ; lines 15 ; size $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

رسالة الخلل الناصح في حل المشكل الواضح

RISÂLAT AL-KHILL AN-NÂṢIḤ FÎ
ḤALL AL-MUSHKIL AL-WÂḌIḤ.

A treatise in refutation of those Qurân-readers, who think that all readings of the Qurân, not sanctioned by any of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, are apocryphal and valueless.

By the same Al-Ja'barî.

Beginning:—

* الحمد لله الذي انزل القرآن عربيا غير ذي عوج الخ *

The occasion of the present composition is set forth in the preface thus:—

فهذه رسالة الى بعض الاخوان من اهل القرآن رافعة لهذه الوافعة الشذيفة
والبدعة الغظيعة مبيضة لما صحف مقومة لما حرف وهو ان قوما من
القرآء وغيرهم ركبوا نكباء وخطبوا عشواء فحصروا الحرف السبعة الواردة
فى الحديث فى قرآت هؤلاء الائمة السبعة و سمو ما عداها
شاذا تمسكا بسبعة الامام ابى بكر بن مجاهد رحمه الله تعالى *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in the same hand, and by the same scribe, as the preceding work. Dated the Madrasah Nûriyah, Ba'labakk, the 4th Rabi' II, A.H. 726=A.D. 1326.

The title-page contains an *Ijâzah*, or license, granted by the author, in his own handwriting, to the scribe, *Shihâbaddîn Ahmad bin Ibrâhîm bin Şâlar al-Ba'li*.

No. 1239.

fol. 45; lines 13; size 7×5 ; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

عقد اللآلى فى القراءات السبع العوالى

'IQD AL-LA'ÂLÎ FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB'
AL-'AWÂLÎ.

A unique copy of a metrical work, treating of the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers, composed in the same metre and with the same rhymes as the *Hirz al-Amânî* of *Ash-Shâṭibî* (No. 1221 above).

Author: *Aṣîraddîn Abû Ḥayyân Muḥammad bin Yûsuf bin 'Alî bin Yûsuf bin Ḥayyân al-Ġarnâtî al-Andalusî* محمد بن حبان يوسف بن على بن يوسف بن حبان الغرناطى الاندلسي, one of the greatest authors that Spain under the Moors produced. He was born at Granada towards the end of the month of *Shawwâl*, A.H. 654=A.D. 1256, and received his early education there. In A.H. 679=A.D.

1280 he left Spain, and after some travels in the Hījāz and Syria settled permanently at Cairo, where he completed his education, and attached himself for a long time to the celebrated grammarian, Bahā'addīn Muḥammad bin Ibrāhīm Ibn an-Naḥḥās al-Ḥalabī (*d.* A. H. 698=A. D. 1298). He studied under no less than 450 teachers, and established his reputation as a distinguished scholar. He was considered the greatest authority of his time in grammar, Hadīṣ and Tafsīr. He served as a professor in several Madrasahs, wrote a large number of books, and died on the 28th Ṣafar, A. H. 745=A. D. 1345. For further particulars of his life and works, see Brock., vol. ii, p. 109; Ad-Durar al-Kāminah, vol. ii, foll. 275^b-278^b; Ḥusn al-Muḥā-darah, fol. 135^a; Buḡyat al-Wu'āt, fol. 92^a; Ṭabaqāt by Ibn Qāḍi Shuhbah, fol. 148^a; Taj at-Ṭabaqāt, vol. viii, fol. 135^a; and Dustūr al-Ilām, fol. 35^a. See also Ṭabaqāt al-Mufasssīrīn by Ad-Dā'ūdī, foll. 111^b-113^a, where the date of his death is incorrectly given as Thursday, the 30th Du'l-Hijjah, A. H. 734=A. D. 1334.

Beginning:—

بحمدك يا الله يستفتح الملا وبالشكر للأحسن استمنح الالى
و للصلوات الطببات التي زكت والى على الداعى الى الله مرسله

The work, as its title clearly indicates, deals with the seven principal readings of the Qurān, and consists of 1044 verses, including a preface of 19 verses. Ibn Ḥajar al-'Asqalānī, in Ad-Durar al-Kāminah (*loc. cit.*), remarks that the '*Iqd al-La'ālī*' of Abū Ḥayyān al-Ġarnāṭī is far better in treatment and more useful than the *Hirz al-Amānī* of Ash-Shāṭibī.

The MS., dated the Ṣāliḥīyah Madrasah, the 17th Jumādā II, A. H. 716=A. D. 1316, was transcribed from the author's original draft by his pupil, Shihābaddīn Aḥmad bin Wajihaddīn 'Abdalkarīm bin 'Abdarrahmān al-Abyārī, and was collated with the original with the help of the author himself in several sittings, the last of which was held on Thursday, the 27th Jumādā II, A. H. 716=A. D. 1316, as stated in the following note, in the author's own hand, on the title-page:—

قرأ على هذا القصيد من انسابى و كتبه من خطى و قابله معي
باصلي الفقيه الفاضل العالم السرى المحصل الذبيل شهاب الدين احمد
بن الشيخ الامين الثقة وجيه الدين عبد الكريم بن عبد الرحمن الالبيارى
فعمه الله و دفع به و اجزت له ان يرويه عنى و ان يروى عنى جميع

ما يجوز لى روايته و جميع ما صنفته فى علم التفسير و النحو و اللغة
و القراءات و الفقه و الحديث و الادب و التاريخ و جميع ما انشأته من
نظم و نثر و كانت فراءته على لهذا الفيد فى مجالس آخرها يوم الخميس
السابع و العشرين من شهر جمادى الآخرة سنة ست عشرة و سبع مائة كتبه
ابو حيان محمد بن يوسف بن على بن يوسف بن حيان *

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel points. Fol. 44
is blank; but there is no break in the text.

No. 1240.

fol. 45; lines 15; size 7 × 5; 5 × 3½.

نكت الامالى على عقد الآلى

NUKAT AL-AMÂLÎ 'ALÂ 'IQD
AL-LA'ÂLÎ.

A commentary by Abû Hayyân al-Andalusî on his own metrical
work, entitled العقد الآلى فى القراءات السبع العوالى (No. 1239 above.)

Beginning:—

قال الشيخ الامام العالم العلامة فريد دهره وحيد عصره اثير الدين
ابو حيان محمد بن يوسف بن على بن حيان الاندلسى هذه نكت كتبتها
على جهة الشرح المختص لفصدتى فى القراءات و سميتها نكت الامالى
على عقد الآلى و الله ينفع بذلك النخ *

The passages quoted from the text are distinguished by the
قوله.

No other copy of the work is known.

The copy was transcribed, like that of the text noticed above, by
the author's pupil, Shihâbaddin Ahmad bin Wajihaddin 'Abd-
Karim bin 'Abdarrahmân al-Abyârî at the Sâlihîyah Madrasah
on the 8th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 716=A.D. 1316.

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel points.

The title-page contains a note by the celebrated traditionist,
Ibrâhîm bin 'Alî bin Ahmad al-Qalqashandi al-Maqdisî (d. A.H. 922=

A.D. 1516), who states that a portion of the MS., including text and commentary, was read in his presence, on the 9th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 912=A.D. 1506, by Shaikh Zainaddîn 'Abdalqâdir bin Ḥasan bin Husain al-Fayyûmî, and that among the hearers were Az-Zain 'Abdalbâsit al-Hasirî, Ash-Shams Muḥammad al-Fakḥrî and Az-Zain 'Abdarrahmân al-Âṣimî, to each of whom he granted a general permission to transmit his narration to others. The note runs thus:—

فَرَأَى عَلَى الشَّيْخِ زَيْنِ الدِّينِ عَبْدِ الْعَادِلِ بْنِ حَسَنِ بْنِ حُسَيْنِ الْفَيَّومِيِّ
قِطْعَةً مِنْ أَوَّلِ الْقَصِيدِ وَ قِطْعَةً مِنْ أَوَّلِ الذِّكْرِ عَلَيْهِمَا كِلَاهُمَا لِلشَّيْخِ الْعَلَامَةِ
وَحِيدِ عَصْرَةِ ابْنِي حَبِيبِ الدِّدْبُلَاسِيِّ بِعَمْدَةِ اللَّهِ بِرَحْمَتِهِ وَ سَمِعَ الْمُسَانِخِ
الرَّزِينِ عَبْدِ الْبَاسِطِ الْحَصْبَرِيِّ وَ السَّمْسِ مُحَمَّدِ الْفَخْرِيِّ وَ الزَّيْنِ عَبْدِ الرَّحْمَنِ
الْعَاصِمِيِّ وَ اجْزَتْ لِكُلِّ مَدِينٍ أَنْ يُرَوِّيَهُمَا عَنْهُ وَ سَائِرُ مَرْوِيَاتِي وَ اخْبَرْتُهُمْ
بِرَوَايَتِي لِكِتَابِ الشَّيْخِ ابْنِي حَبِيبٍ عَنْ جَمَاعَةٍ مِنْهُمْ وَالِدِي وَ جَدِّي وَ شَيْخِ
الْإِسْلَامِ وَ الْحَفَظِ ابْنِ حَجَرٍ فِي تَاسِعِ شَهْرِ جُمَادَى الْآخِرَةِ سَنَةِ اثْنَيْ
عَشَرَ وَ نِسْعِ مِائَةٍ وَ كَتَبَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ بْنُ عَلِيٍّ الْفَرَشِيُّ الْمَقْدِسِيُّ الْأَنْدَلُسِيُّ السَّافَعِيُّ
الْقَلْفَشْتَنْدِيُّ حَامِدًا مُصَلِّيًا وَسَلَامًا *

No. 1241.

fol. 89; lines 27; size $11\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{3}{4}$; $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$.

المصبوط في القراءات السبع

AL-MADBŪṬ FI'L-QIRĀ'ĀT AS-SAB'.

A work on the seven readings of the Qurân.

The author, whose name is not found in the MS., is 'Uṣmân bin Muḥammad bin Muḥammad al-Ġaznawî الغزنوي. He refers, on fol. 35^a, to two other works of his, viz., (i) *Maqâlîd ar-Rumûz*, and (ii) *Mafâtîḥ al-Kunûz* (see Leyden, No. 1638). He lived in the 8th century of the Hijrah. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 201.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي كشف عنا الغطاء بتفزيل كتابه و صرف عنا العناء
بترتيل خطابه فلما رأيت أكثر أهل الزمان معرضين عن مرض

تعلم القرآن الكريم و تعليمه و تجويده و ترتيبه المأمور به بقوله سبحانه
و تعالى و رتل القرآن ترتيبا النخ *

The work is divided into two parts. The first part is subdivided into six chapters as follows:—

I. The merit attached to the reading of the Qurân, and the regard due to the men who have handed it down, fol. 2^a.

II. The rules to be observed in its reading, teaching and transcribing, fol. 5^a.

III. The orthography of the copies of the Qurân, especially of those written by the *Ṣahâbah* (Companions of the Prophet), fol. 16^b.

IV. Principles of the *Qirâ'at*, which are unanimously approved by all, fol. 29^b.

V. Principles of the *Qirâ'at*, on which opinions differ, fol. 30^b.

VI. An explanation of the abbreviations and symbols used in the second part of the present work, fol. 39^b.

The first part ends, on fol. 40^b, with the following colophon:—

تم القسم الاول من المضبوط بحمد الله و حسن توفيقه و الحمد لله
رب العالمين و ذلك بتاريخ شهر جمادى الاولى نهار الاربعاء لعله السابع عشر
سنة الف و مائة و ثلاثة عشر من الهجرة النبوية و ذلك بخط
فهر العبيد و احوجهم الى المبدى المعيد سعيد بن احمد الغزي الشافعي
مدهبا الرمي بلدا و ذاك بمدينة زبيد المحمية *

The second part, which is arranged according to the *Sûrahs* of the Qurân, deals with the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

For other copies, see Leyden, No. 1637; and Râmpûr, p. 54.

Written in cursive Arabian Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1113=A.D. 1702.

Scribe: سعيد بن احمد الغزي الرمي الشافعي .

Five fly-leaves at the beginning contain miscellaneous notes and extracts from other books.

No. 1242.

fol. 141; lines 17; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

مصطلح الاشارات

MUṢṬALIḤ AL-ISHĀRĀT.

A rare copy of a work treating of six additional but reliable readings of the Qurān, other than the prevalent seven readings.

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:—

مصطلح الاشارات في الفرائد الزوائد المروية عن الثقات *

Author: Abu'l-Baqâ' 'Alî bin 'Uṣmân bin Muḥammad bin Aḥmad, better known as Ibn al-Qâṣih al-'Uḍrî al-Baġdâdî ابو البقاء احمد بن محمد بن احمد المعروف بابن الفاصح العدري البغدادي على بن عثمان بن محمد بن احمد المعروف بابن الفاصح العدري البغدادي (d. A.H. 801=A.D. 1399); for some account of whom see No 1233 above.

Beginning:—

قال مؤلفه الفقير ابو البقاء علي بن عثمان بن محمد بن احمد ابن القاسح العدري رحمه الله - الحمد لله الذي جعل القرآن لاهله شرفا و نورا و ضاعف لهم ببركة تلاوته اجورا احمده على ما اولى من النعم اما بعد فاني لما فرغت من القراءة بما تضمنه كتاب العنوان و كتاب الكافي و كتاب التيسير و قصيد الشاطبي تشوفت للقراءة بغيرها الخ *

The six additional readings mentioned in the work are as follows:—

1. The reading of Abû Ja'far Yazîd bin al-Qa'qâ' al-Madani (d. A.H. 129=A.D. 747; see Mir'ât al-Janân, fol.68^a).
2. The reading of Ibn Muḥaisin al-Makkî (d. A.H. 123=A.D. 741; see Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ' by Aḍ-Ḍahabî, fol. 18^a).
3. The reading of Ḥasan bin Abî'l-Ḥasan al-Baṣrî (d. A.H. 110=A.D. 729; see Al-Kāshif, fol. 26^b).
4. The reading of Ya'qûb bin Ishâq al-Ḥaḍramî (d. A.H. 205=A.D. 821; see *ibid.*, fol. 151^a).
5. The reading of Sulaimân al-A'mash (d. A.H. 148=A.D. 765'; see Ṭabaqât al-Huffâz, vol. i, p. 138).
6. The reading of K̲halaf bin Hishâm al-Bazzâr (d. A.H. 229=A.D. 844; see Al-Kāshif, fol. 36^a).

In the preface, the author enumerates the following sources, from which he derived material for the present work :—

I. *Al-Mustanîr*, by Abû Ṭâhir Aḥmad bin 'Alî al-Baġdâdî (No. 1236 above).

II. *Irshâd al-Mubtadî*, by Abu'l-'Izz al-Qalânîsî (*d.* A.H. 521 = A.D. 1127).

III. *Al-Mubhij*, by Sibṭ al-Khayyât (*d.* A.H. 541 = A.D. 1146).

IV. *At-Taḍkirah*, by Ṭâhir Ibn Ġalbûn (*d.* A.H. 389 = A.D. 998).

V. *Muḥridât al-Qurrâ'*, by Ḥasan bin 'Alî al-Ahwâzî (*d.* A.H. 446 = A.D. 1054).

Contents :—

Fol. 2^b. باب اتصال قراءتى لهؤلاء الأئمة الستة و اتصال قراءتهم بالنبي
صلى الله عليه و سلم *

Fol. 7^a. باب الادغام الكبير

Fol. 8^b. باب الادغام الصغير

Fol. 9^b. باب النون الساكنة و التنوين

Fol. 10^a. باب المد و القصر

Fol. 11^a. باب الهمزتين من كلمة

Fol. 11^b. باب الهمزتين من كلمتين

Fol. 12^a. باب الهمز المفرد

Fol. 13^b. باب مذهب الاعمش فى الوقف على الهمز

Fol. 14^b. باب الفتح و الامالة

Fol. 17^b. باب السكت

Fol. 18^b. باب الوقف على اواخر الكلم

Fol. 18^b. باب الاستعاذة و التسليمة

The rest of the work is arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

For other copies, see Kûprilizâdah, No. 30; and Waliaddîn, No. 38.

Written in bold Arabian Naskh. Foll. 1-14 are supplied in a later hand.

Dated, the 18th Rabî' I, A.H. 787 = A.D. 1385.

A note at the end says that the MS. was collated with the author's original draft. Another note, in the margin of fol. 21^a, tells us that the MS. was read in the presence of the author.

No. 1243.

fol. 293; lines 19; size 8×6; 5½×3½.

كتاب النشر فى القراءات العشر

KITÂB AN-NASHR FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT
AL-'ASHR.

A comprehensive work treating of the various readings of the ten Qurân-readers, in three separate volumes.

Author: Shamsaddin Abu'l-Khair Muhammad bin Muhammad bin al-Jazarî (*d.* A.H. 833=A.D. 1429; see Lib. Cat., vol. xv, No. 1015, ii).

Vol. I.

Beginning:—

قال السبىخ الامام الحافظ المحقق المجدود العلامة
الحمد لله الذى انزل القرآن كلامه و يسره و سهل نشره لمن رامه و قدره
وفق للقبام به من اختاره و بصرة و بعد فان الانسان لا يسرف
الا بما يعرف ولا يفضل الا بما يعقل النخ *

The work, according to Brock., vol. ii, p. 201, was composed at Medina, in A.H. 825 = A.D. 1420

For the contents of the work, see Berlin, No. 657. For other copies, see Cairo, vol. i, p. 117; Escur., No. 129; Nûr 'Uşmâniyah, No. 97; Ayâ Sûfiyah, No. 62; Waliaddin, No. 40; Yenî, No. 7; Hamîdiyah, No. 25; Âsafiyah, p. 304; and Râmpûr, p. 55.

The author himself wrote an abridgment of the present work, entitled النقرب مختصر النشر (see Berlin, No. 658). Abridgments were also written by Qâḍî Abu'l-Faḍl Muḥammad bin Muhammad Ibn aṣh-Shihnah (*d.* A.H. 890=A.D. 1485) and Muṣṭafâ bin 'Abdar-rahmân al-Izmîrî (*d.* A.H. 1155=A.D. 1742). Cf. Hâj. Khal, vol. vi, p. 343

The last two folios contain miscellaneous notes and extracts from other books.

Written in cursive Naskh. Lacunae are found on foll. 79^b, 111^b, 165^b and 246^a.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1244.

fol. 180; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. II.

The second volume of the same work.

Beginning:—

باب الادغام الصغير وهو عبارة عما اذا كان الحرف الاول منه ساكنا
كما قدمنا في اول باب الادغام الكبير النخ *

The last three folios contain several short anonymous poems.

Written in cursive Naskh. Lacunae are found on foll. 79^b, 170^a,
and 171^b.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1245.

fol. 198; lines and size same as above.

The Same.

Vol. III.

The third volume of the same work.

Beginning:—

باب بيان افراد القراءات و جمعها - لم يتعرض احد من ائمة القراءة في
تواليهم لهذا الباب و قد اشار اليه ابو القاسم الصفراوي في اعلانه النخ *

Written in cursive Naskh. Lacunae are found on foll. 10^a, 149^a,
and 188^b.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1246.

fol. 52; lines 11; size 8×6 ; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

طبعة النشر فى القراآت العشر

**TĀYYIBAT AN-NASHR FĪ'L-QIRĀ'ĀT
AL-'ASHR.**

A versified work on the various readings of the ten Qurân-readers.

By the same Al-Jazarî.

Beginning:—

قال محمد هو ابن الجزرى يا ذا الجلال ارحمه واستروا غفرى
الحمد لله على ما يسره من نسر منقول حروف العشرة

The work, which consists of one thousand verses, was completed at Rûm in the month of Shâ'bân, A.H. 799=A.D. 1396.

For other copies see Berlin, No. 659; Br. Mus., No. 88, iii; Paris, No. 4532, vi; Alger, No. 376, vi; Cairo, vol. i, p. 101; Waliaddin, No. 32; and Âsafiyah, p. 300. See also Brock., vol. ii, p. 202; and Hâf. Khal., vol. iv, p. 172.

The work was lithographed at Cairo in A.H. 1282, and was printed there in A.H. 1296

Abû Bakr Ahmad, the author's son, wrote a commentary on the present work; for copies of which, see Nûr 'Uşmâniyah, No. 76, and Râmpûr, p. 51.

Foll. 1^a-2^b contain a short extract from the beginning of the commentary on the present work by Abu'l-Qâsim Muḥammad bin Muhammad al-'Aqilî an-Nuwairî (d. A.H. 837=A.D. 1433); for a copy of which, see Berlin, No. 660. Explanatory notes, extracted from the commentary of Al-'Aqilî, are found in the margins of foll. 1^a-19^b. Leaflets, containing notes taken from the same commentary, are inserted after foll. 7, 27, and 37.

A fly-leaf, inserted after fol. 48, contains a diagram, showing how the original ten readings of the Qurân got multiplied into many readings, and naming all the successive followers of each of the original Qurân-readers, who are considered authorities.

Written in elegant Naskḥ, with all the vowel points

The headings are in red.

Dated A.H. 1202=A.D. 1787.

Scribe: محمد بن علي البركوى.

لذلك سائل من مالک الممالک عند الشروع في سلوك تلك المسالك ان
 ينجيني مما فيها من المبالك و ان يسهل ويسر لي ما هذالك طالبا ان
 يكون خالصا لوجه الكريم و سببا للفوز بجذات الذعيم و سميته سطعات لمعات
 انوار ضياء الفجر في شرح كتاب طيبة النشر الخ *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Naskh.

Dated the 3rd Jumādā I, A.H. 1288=A.D. 1871.

Scribe: عبد الله الركابي الجرباني ابن سعيد.

No. 1248.

fol. 31; lines 15-25; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

(A MS. containing two works, bound together.)

fol. 1^a-10^b.

I.

الدرة المضية

AD-DURRAT AL-MUDĪYAH.

A metrical tract containing 241 verses, in the same metre and with the same rhymes as the *Hirz al-Amānī* of Ash-Shāṭibī (No 1221 above).

Author: Shamsaddīn Abu'l-Khair Muhammad bin Muḥammad bin al-Jazarī شمس الدين ابو الخير محمد بن محمد بن الجزري (d. A.H. 833=A.D. 1429; see Lib. Cat, vol. xv, No. 1015, ii)

Beginning:—

فل الحمد لله الذي وحده علا
 و مجده و اسئل عونہ و توسلا

The work, which is described by the author as a supplement to the *Hirz al-Amānī* of Ash-Shāṭibī, treats of the various readings of the following three Qurān-readers:—

1. Abū Ja'far Yazid bin al-Qa'qa' al-Madanī (d. A.H. 129=A.D. 747).
2. Ya'qūb bin Ishāq al-Ḥaḍramī al-Baṣrī (d. A.H. 205=A.D. 821).
3. Khalaf bin Hishām al-Bazzār al-Kūfi (d. A.H. 229=A.D. 844).

The work was completed at Mecca in A.H. 823=A.D. 1420. The date of composition is obtained from the following chronogram :—

و تم نظام الدرة احسب بعدها
و عام اضا حجبى فاحسن تقولا

The last six verses describe the horrors of an attack by a gang of Arab robbers on the author's caravan on his journey from Mecca to Medina.

For other copies see Berlin, No. 662; Gotha, No. 558; München, No. 893; Wien, No. 1632; Alger, No. 376; Cairo, vol. i, p. 108; and Kûprilizâdah, No. 17.

The work has been printed in Cairo, A.H. 1296.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in light green.

Dated Thursday, the 15th Ramadân, A.H. 1093=A.D. 1682.

Scribe: محمد بن احمد الدفاق.

roll. 12^b-31^b.

II.

ايضاح الدرة المضيه

ÎDÂĤ AD-DURRAT AL-MUDÎYAH.

A commentary on the preceding work, by a certain disciple of the author of the text. Cf. Hâj. Khal., vol. iii, p. 210.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذى تولى حفظ كتابه المكفون
وقد استخبرت الله تعالى و اردت ايضاح منظومته الدرة المضيه في قرات
الثلاثة المرضيه وقد قرأتها عليه في مجالس آخرها بعد عشرين يوم السبت
الثالث والعشرون من جمادى الآخرة سنة ثمان وعشرين وثمان مائة
بمسجد الاشاعر داخل مدينة زيد الخ * .

The commentator, who does not reveal his name, tells us in the above-quoted extract that he had read the text with its author at Zabîd in several sittings, the last of which was held on the 28th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 828=A.D. 1425.

Written in the same hand and by the same scribe as the above. Fol. 11 is blank.

Dated Wednesday, the 11th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 1093=A.D. 1682.

Fol. 12^a contains the seals and signatures of several former owners of the MS.

No. 1249.

fol. 31 ; lines 21 ; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same commentary, beginning as the above.

Foll. 1^b-2^a contain short biographical notices of the three Qurân-readers, whose readings are dealt with in the text.

Written in fair Naskh, within double red-ruled borders.

Dated Wednesday, the 22nd Ramaqlân, A.H. 1046 = A.D. 1637.

Scribe : محمد ابو نعمة.

A fly-leaf, at the end, contains a diagram of the mouth and tongue, indicating how the different letters of the alphabet should be pronounced, reproduced from As-Sakkâkî's *Kitâbul-Miftâh*.

No. 1250.

fol. 156 ; lines 19-21 ; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $5\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

ايضاح الرموز ومفتاح الكنوز

ÎDÂḤ AR-RUMÛZ WA MIFTÂḤ AL-KU-NÛZ.

A commentary on the author's own metrical work, entitled *Majma' as-Surûr Wa Maillâ' ash-Shams wa'l-Budûr*, treating of the various readings of the fourteen Qurân-readers.

Author : Shamsaddîn Abû 'Abdallâh Muhammad bin Khalil bin Abî Bakr bin Muḥammad al-Ḥalabî al-Maqdisî ash-Shâfi'î, better known as Ibn al-Qubâqibî بن كبري محمد بن خليل بن أبي بكر المشافعي الشهير بابن القباقيبي. He was born at Aleppo, in A.H. 777 = A.D. 1376. He studied under 'Abdarrahîm bin al-Husain al-'Irâqî (d. A.H. 806 = A.D. 1404), and became known as a great jurist and a skilled Qurân-reader. He settled permanently at Jerusalem, where he died on Friday, the 20th Rajab, A.H. 849 = A.D. 1445. See *Al-Qabas al-Hâwî*, vol. ii, fol. 59^a; *Al-Uns al-Jalil*, vol. ii, p. 519; *Dustûr al-'Ilâm*, fol. 112^b; and *Brock.*, vol. ii, p. 113.

Beginning :—

قال الشيخ الامام العالم شمس الدين محمد بن خليل بن أبي بكر

بن محمد الحلبي الشافعي الشهير بابن القباقيبي المقدسي

الحمد لله و كفى و سلام على عباده الدين اصطفى اما بعد فاني لما رأيت
 كتابي المسمى بمجمع السور و مطلع الشمس و البدور الجامع بين مدهاب
 القراء الاربعة عشر فد شاع ذكره بين الطلاب النخ *

In the preface, the author enumerates the following works as his authorities :—

1. *Kitāb an-Nashr*, by Muḥammad bin Muḥammad al-Jazarī (see No. 1243 above).

2. *Mufradāt al-Qurrā'*, by Ḥasan bin 'Alī bin Ibrāhīm al-Ahwāzī (d. A.H. 446=A.D. 1054; see Mir'āt al-Janān, fol. 256^a).

3. *Al-Mubhij fi'l-Qirā'āt as-Ṣamān*, by Abū Muḥammad 'Abdallāh bin 'Alī, called Sibṭ al-Khayyāt al-Baġdāī (d. A.H. 541=A.D. 1146; see *ibid.*, fol. 313^b).

4. *Al-Mustanir*, by Abū Ṭāhir Aḥmad bin 'Alī bin 'Ubaidallāh bin 'Umar bin Siwār al-Baġdādī (see No. 1236 above).

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No. 669. For other copies see Cairo, vol. i, p. 105, and Kūprilizādah, No. 27. See also Hāḷ. Khal., vol. i, p. 506.

Written in rough Naskḥ, with the headings in red

Dated A.H. 1174=A.D. 1760.

No. 1251.

toll. 18; lines 21; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

الدر الناظم

AD-DURR AN-NÂẒIM.

A treatise on the reading of 'Āṣim (d. A.H. 128=A.D. 745), as handed down by his disciple, Ḥafṣ (d. A.H. 180=A.D. 796).

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows :—

الدر الناظم لرواية حفص عن قراءة عاصم *

Author: Abu't-Tawfiq 'Uṣmān bin 'Umar bin Abī Bakr an-Nāshirī az-Zabīdī أبو النوفيق عثمان بن عمر بن أبي بكر الناشري الزبيدي. He belonged to the illustrious family of An-Nāshirī, which produced a considerable number of eminent scholars. He died about A.H. 860=A.D. 1456. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 189.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله حق حمده و صلاته و سلامه على سيدنا محمد و عبده و على
آله و صحبه من بعده و بعد فانى لى رأيت اهل بلدنا زبيد حماها الله
و سائر بلاد الاسلام يسارعون الى الخيرات و يتنافسون فى الطاعات و كذت
قد جمعت لهم روايتى قالون و الدوري رأيت ان اعززهم بثالث
و هو الامام حفص بن سليمان عن الامام عاصم الخ *

For other copies see Berlin, No. 646; Alger, No. 376; and Âsafiyah, p. 298.

At the end is a note, in the same hand as the text, enumerating the number of Sûrahs, verses, and words contained in the Qurân, and how many times each letter of the alphabet occurs.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red. A short lacuna is found on fol. 16^b.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

No. 1252.

fol. 19; lines 17; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.

[روايتى قالون و الدوري]

[RIWÂYATAI QÂLÛN WA'D-DAWRÎ.]

A treatise on the readings of Nâfi' bin 'Abdarrahmân al-Madanî (d. A.H. 169=A.D. 786) and Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alâ' al-Basrî (d. A.H. 154=A.D. 771), as handed down by Qâlûn (d. A.H. 220=A.D. 835) and Ad-Dawrî (d. A.H. 246=A.D. 860), respectively.

The title of the work and the author's name are not found in the MS. From the preface of *Ad-Durr an-Nâzim* (No. 1251 above), it appears that this work is also by An-Nâshirî.

Beginning:—

..... الحمد لله خالق الاشياء المنفرد بالعظمة و الكبرياء
اما بعد فانه طال ما سئلني بعض الاخوان ان افرد له هذه الروايتين رواية
قالون عن نافع و رواية الدوري عن ابي عمرو فاجبت مسئلته قاصدا بذلك
وجه الكريم الخ *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red. Dated Friday, the 9th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 1020=A.D. 1612.

Scribe : عبد الله بن سعيد بن عبد الله المكنى انور شير.

No. 1253.

fol. 50 ; lines 15 ; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; 6×4 .

الهداية الى تحقيق الرواية

AL-HIDÂYAH ILÂ TAḤQÎQ AR-RIWÂYAH.

A work on the readings of Nâfi' bin 'Abdarrahmân al-Madanî (*d.* A.H. 169=A.D. 786) and Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alâ' al-Baṣrî (*d.* A.H. 154=A.D. 771), as handed down by Qâlûn (*d.* A.H. 220=A.D. 835) and Ad-Dawrî (*d.* A.H. 246=A.D. 860), respectively.

Author : 'Afifaddin 'Usmân bin 'Amr bin Abî Bakr al-'Adnânî عفيف الدين عثمان بن عمرو بن ابي بكر العدناني.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله حمدا يوافي نعمه و يكافى مزيدته و اشهد ان لا اله الا الله وحده و بعد فاني تصفحت قراء اهل الزمان فوجدتهم بحمد الله غير خارجين عن اسلوب تحقيق القراءة غالبا غير انهم قد يخرجون في مواضع لحظ رواية برواية و هذا معيب عند القراء كالغنة و الترفيق و التفخيم و المد و الادغام و الاظهار و هذا الذوع تسميه القراء اللحن الخفى و قد استخرت الله تعالى و امليت هذه الوريقات في مذهب فالون و الدورى النج *

The title of the work and the author's name are both given on the title-page ; but no mention of either is to be found in any bibliographical or biographical work. The title-page reads thus :—

كتاب الهداية الى تحقيق الرواية عن امام التحقيق و الدراية نافع بن عبد الرحمن المدنى و ابي عمرو بن العلاء البصرى رواية عيسى بن مينا قالون عن نافع و رواية ابي عمرو الدورى عن ابن محمد اليزيدي عن ابي عمرو

prosperity alternating with periods of poverty. He died in Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 894=A.D. 1489. See Al-Qabas al-Hâwî, vol. i, fol. 61^a, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 115.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله ذى الصفات الازلية و الصلاة و السلام على سيدنا محمد
خير البرية و بعد فهذا قطف الازهار السفيد من
قراءة الأئمة الثلاثة المرغية النخ *

The names of the three Qurân-readers, whose readings are dealt with in the work, are as follows:—

1. Abû Ja'far Yazîd bin al-Qa'qâ' al-Madanî (*d.* A.H. 129=A.D. 747).
2. Ya'qûb bin Ishâq al-Hadramî (*d.* A.H. 205=A.D. 821).
3. Abû Muhammad K̲halaf bin Hishâm al-Bazzâr al-Kûfî (*d.* A.H. 229=A.D. 844).

We are told, in the preface, that the present work is based on the following four compositions of Al-Jazarî (*d.* A.H. 833=A.D. 1429).

- I. *Tahbîr at-Taisîr* (No. 1220 above).
- II. *Kitâb an-Nashr* (No. 1243 above).
- III. *Taqrîb an-Nashr* (see Berlin, No. 658).
- IV. *Ad-Durra al-Muḍîyah* (No. 1248 above).

Defective at the end. The last folio is wanting.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Arabian Naskh, but with numerous short lacunæ. The headings are in red.

Not dated; probably 16th century.

The title-page bears the signatures of two former owners of the MS., viz., (i) a certain Abu'l-Faraj al-Muzayyin, and (ii) Kamâladdîn, the son of 'Alî al-Muttaqî (*d.* A.H. 975=A.D. 1567).

No. 1255.

foll. 164 ; lines 21 ; size 8 × 6 ; 6½ × 4.

المكرر في ماتواتر من القراءات السبع و تحرر

AL-MUKARRAR FÎ MÂ TAWÂTAR
MINA'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB' WA
TAHARRAR.

A treatise on the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

By Sirâjaddin Abû Ḥafs 'Umar bin Qâsim bin Muḥammad al-Ansârî al-Muqrî al-Misrî, commonly called An-Nashshâr سراج الدين ابو حفص عمر بن قاسم بن محمد الانصارى المقرئ المصرى المعروف بالنشار. He wrote several works on the various readings of the Qurân, and died about A. H. 900 = A. D. 1495. See Brock, vol. ii, p. 115.

Beginning :—

يقول العبد الفقير المعترف بالتقصير عمر بن قاسم
بن محمد الانصارى المقرئ المصرى النشار الحمد لله حق حمده و صلوته
و سلامه على محمد خير خلقه و رضى الله عن اصحابه اجمعين و عن
لتابعين و تابعيهم باحسان الى يوم الدين و بعد فقد سألتنى بعض اصدقائى
و من هو من اخوانى وى الله و احبابى ان اجمع له كتابا فى القراءات
السبع المتواترة النخ *

The author tells us, in the above-quoted extract, that he wrote this work at the request of some of his friends.

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No. 623. For other copies see Râmpûr, p. 55. and Âṣafiyaḥ, p. 304.

Written in fair Indian Naskḥ.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

No. 1256.

foll. 217 ; lines 19 ; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4$.

البدور الزاهرة في القراءات العشرة المتواترة

AL-BUDÛR AZ-ZÂHIRAH FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT
AL-'ASHARAT AL-MUTAWÂTIRAH.

A treatise on the ten authentic readings of the Qurân, by the author of the preceding work.

Beginning:—

اللهم صلى على سيدنا محمد الحمد لله الذى علم الانسان

ماله يعلم فمن شاو اهان ومن شاء اكرم النعم

The author tells us, in the preface, that he wrote the present work at the request of some of his friends, for whom he had previously written his work entitled القراءات السبع ونعبر المكرر فيما نوانر من القراءات السبع ونعبر (No. 1255 above).

A note at the end, containing the date of the author's death, runs thus:—

توفى شيخنا وفدوتنا الى الله تعالى الشيخ الامام العالم العلامة

الحبر البكر الفهامة المحقق المدقق الحافظ المجتهد سراج الدين ابي

حفص عمر الانصارى المقرئ الشافعى مصنف هذا الكتاب وغيره من

كتبه المشهورة فى خامس جمادى الاول سنة ٩٧ *

The year of the author's death, inserted after the word سنة, is obviously a mistake ; it should be 897 or possibly 907.

For other copies see Waliaddin, No. 8, and Râmpûr, p. 45 See also Hâj. Khal., vol. ii, p. 30, where the author's name is erroneously given as 'Abdallâh instead of 'Umar.

Written in small Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1004=A.D. 1595.

No. 1257.

foll. 50 ; lines 23 ; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$

القطر المصري

AL-QUTR AL-MIṢRÎ.

A treatise on the reading of Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alâ' al-Baṣrî (*d.* A.H. 154=A.D. 771 ; see *Ṭabaqât al-Qurrâ'* by Aḍ-Ḍahabî, fol. 18^a), as handed down by Ḥafṣ bin 'Umar ad-Dawrî (*d.* A.H. 246=A.D. 860 ; see *ibid.*, fol. 42^b) and Abu'sh-Shu'aib Ṣâliḥ bin Ziyâd as-Sûsî (*d.* A.H. 261=A.D. 874 ; see *ibid.*, fol. 43^a).

By the same 'Umar bin Qâsim an-Naṣṣhâr al-Misrî

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows :—

القطر المصري في قراءة الامام ابى عمرو بن العلاء البصري

Beginning :—

يقول راجي عمرو بن الكريم الستار عمر بن قاسم بن محمد بن علي
الانصاري المصري الغفار الحمد لله الذي انزل على عبده
الكتاب هدى و ذكرى لاولى الالباب وبعد فقد سألتني جماعة
من اصدقائي وفقذي الله و اياهم لما يجب و يرضى ان اعمل لهم مختصرا
في قراءة ابى عمرو بن العلاء من روايتى الدورى و السوسى الخ *

The work is divided into 17 *Bâb*. The 17th *Bâb*, which forms the bulk of the work and is subdivided, according to the number of the Sûrahs of the Qurân, into 114 sections, explains the reading of every Sûrah.

A fragment of the work, containing the first sixteen *Bâb*, is noticed in Berlin, No. 639. See also Brock, vol ii, p 116, and Hâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 562

Written in small Arabian Naskḥ, with the headings in red.

Dated Monday, the 20th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1206=A.D. 1792

No. 1258.

fol. 26; lines 15; size $9 \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; $6\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$

حزب القراءة

ḤIZB AL-QIRĀ'AT.

A metrical tract containing 673 verses, composed in the same metre and with the same rhymes as the *Hirz al-Amānī* of Ash-Shâtibî (No. 1221 above).

According to a note on the title-page the author, whose name is not known, belonged to Turkey. The note reads thus:—

هذا كتاب حزب القراءة للاخوان و الخلان لبعض فضلاء علماء الروم و هو

مختصر حرز الامانى الموسوم بالساطبية رضى الله تعالى عن مؤلفها *

Beginning:—

بدأت بحمد الله في الذكر اولا

واردت شكرا ثانيا متفضلا

The work was dedicated to Sultân Bâyezîd II (A.H. 886-918 = A.D. 1481-1512), whose name occurs in the following lines on fol. 2^a thus:—

و هذا كتابي قد رسمت لحضرة

الامام الهمام العالم العامل العلى

و فى الارض ظل الله ايضا خليفته

و سلطان من سلطان الى جده العلى

[و] ابن محمد من مراد و اسمه

اولوا الامر اعني بايزيد و ذالولا

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel-points, within red-ruled borders. The headings are in light green.

Dated the 28th Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 1303 = A.D. 1886.

Scribe: محمد احمد الخواجه.

No. 1259.

fol. 51 ; lines 19 ; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4} : 5\frac{1}{2} \times 3$.

العقد الفريد و الدر المنصيد

AL-'IQD AL-FARÎD WA'D-DURR AN-NADÎD.

A work on the reading of Nâfi' (d. A.H. 169=A.D. 786), as handed down by his pupil, Qâlûn (d. A.H. 220=A.D. 835).

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows :—

* العقد الفريد و الدر المنصيد فى رواية فالون بالتجويد

The author's name is not known. The latest authority quoted, fol. 45^a, is 'Usmân bin 'Umar bin Abî Bakr an-Nâshirî, who died about A.H. 860=A.D. 1456.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله ذى الانعام و الافضل و الاحسان و الاكمال و الكبرياء و الجلال
و الجمال و الكمال اما بعد فانه لما كان القرآن اعظم الكتب
المنزلة تفضل من انزل عليه الخ *

In the preface, the author tells us that the present work is the first of its kind, no other work exclusively devoted to Qâlûn's *Riwâyat* (narration) of the reading of Nâfi' being current in his time. The preface is followed by a *Fasl*, containing short biographical notices of Qâlûn and his teacher, Nâfi'. The fifteen chapters, into which the work is divided, are as follows :—

- (i) باب الاستعاذة , fol. 3^b.
- (ii) باب البسملة , fol. 4^a.
- (iii) باب هاء الكنانة , fol. 7^b.
- (iv) باب المد و القصر , fol. 8^a.
- (v) باب الهمزتين من كلمة , fol. 10^b.
- (vi) باب الهمزتين من كلمتين , fol. 12^b.
- (vii) باب الاظهار و الادغام , fol. 15^a.
- (viii) باب حروف فرتت مخارجها , fol. 16^a.
- (ix) باب احكام النون الساكن و المتوئين , fol. 16^b.

- (x) باب الفتح و الامالة , fol. 18^a.
 (xi) باب الرواآت , fol. 18^b.
 (xii) باب اللامات fol. 19^b.
 (xiii) باب الوقف على اواخر الكلم وما يلحق به فى الحكم , fol. 20^a.
 (xiv) باب الوقف على مرسوم الخط , fol. 21^b.
 (xv) باب فرش الحروف , fol. 26^b.

The last chapter is arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân, explaining the reading of every Sûrah. The work ends with a *Khâtimah*, dealing with the importance of the correct pronunciation of the Qurân.

No other copy of the work is known

Written in fair Arabian Naskh.

Dated Wednesday, the 13th Jumâdâ I, A.H. 1197=A.D. 1783.

Scribe : محمد بن مصطفى بن علي بن نوفل . الشافعى الاحمدى .

No. 1260.

fol. 5 ; lines 21 ; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

رسالة في ما خالف القراء الثلاثة السبعة

RISÂLAH FÎMÂ KHÂLAFA'L-QURRÂ' AS-SALÂSAT AS-SAB'AH.

A pamphlet, enumerating the points in which the three later Qurân-readers, viz., Abû Ja'far Yazîd bin al-Qa'qâ' al-Madanî (*d.* A.H. 129=A.D. 747), Ya'qûb al-Ḥadramî (*d.* A.H. 205=A.D. 821), and Khalaf bin Hishâm al-Bazzâr (*d.* A.H. 229=A.D. 844), disagree with the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

The MS. contains no clue as to its authorship.

Beginning :—

به ثقتى و علنه توكلى و بعد فبده الحروف التى خالف القراء الثلاثة
 فيها السبعة وهم ابو جعفر و يعقوب و خلف و رواهم ابن وردان و ابن جمار
 و اويس و روح و اسحق و ادريس و فائدتها الاحاطة بجميع القراءات النح *

Written in minute Naskh, with occasional rubrics.

Dated the 18th Rabi' II, A.H. 1043=A.D. 1633.

Scribe : حسين بن علي الوقاد .

No. 1261.

fol. 26 ; lines 25 ; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

انوار الطلعة في مذاهب القراء السبعة

**ANWÂR AT-TAL'AH FÎ MADÂHIB
AL-QURRÂ' AS-SAB'AH.**

A unique copy of a work, dealing with the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

Author: Aḥmad bin Muḥammad ash-Shawbarī أحمد بن محمد الشوبري.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله الذي هدانا لطاعته و خصنا بالقرآن العظيم و تلاوته
و بعد فيقول العبد الفقير الى مولاه الغنى به عما سواه احمد بن محمد
الشوبري الازهرى فد سألنى بعض الاخوان من اهل
الصفاء و العرفان المنوردين على الى تلاوة القرآن ان اجمع كتابا مختصرا
فى بيان مذاهب الائمة السبعة اصحاب القرآن المتبعة وان اذكر لكل منهم
مذهبا يشتمل على معظم ماله من الاصول مما يجد الطالب به الوصول
خال عن الكشو و التطويل غير معترض فيه للدليل و التعليل فاجبته الى
سواله طابا للثواب و رتبته على مقدمة و سبعة ابواب و سميته
انوار الطلعة فى مذاهب القراء السبعة الن *

The author, who flourished in the earlier part of the 11th century of the Hijrah, was a native of Shawbar (a village in Egypt). He composed the present work, as he states at the end, in the last week of Rajab, A.H. 1009=A.D. 1600. In the following colophon, he is said to be the grandson of Ash-Shinnâwî, probably Muhammad al-Aḥmadî ash-Shinnâwî (d. A.H. 933=A.D. 1527):—

تم الكتاب للإمام العالم الولي العارف بالله تعالى شيخنا الشيخ احمد
الشوبري سبط الشناوى رحمة الله عليهم *

The author's two sons, Aḥmad ash-Shawbarī (d. A.H. 1066=A.D. 1656) and Muḥammad ash-Shawbarī (d. A.H. 1069=A.D. 1659), were distinguished scholars. The former, owing to his great mastery over

the Ḥanafî doctrines, was called *Abû Ḥanīfat aṣ-Ṣaġīr* (the younger Abû Ḥanīfah); while the latter, on account of his exceptional knowledge of the Shâfi'î tenets, was surnamed *Ash-Shâfi'î aṣ-Ṣaġīr* (the younger Shâfi'î). See *Khulâṣat al-Aṣar*, vol. i, p. 174.

The work is divided into a *Muqaddimah* and eight *Bâb*, as follows:—

Muqaddimah. Fol. 2^a.

المقدمة فهى فى بيان التجويد و احكامه و ما يتعلق به من معرفة
الذون الساكنة و التنوين و الوقف و الابتداء و المد و اقسامه و غير ذلك مما
يحتاج اليه القارى مما اتفق عليه الأئمة رضى الله عنهم اجمعين *

Bâb I. Fol. 5^a. الباب الاول في مذهب سبدا نافع بن عبد الله
بن نعم *

Bâb II. Fol. 9^b. الباب الثانى في مذهب سبدا عبد الله بن كثير
المكى *

Bâb III. Fol. 10^b. الباب الثالث في مذهب سبدا ابى عمرو
الصرى *

Bâb IV. Fol. 14^b. الباب الرابع في مذهب سبدا عبد الله بن
عامر الدمشقي *

Bâb V. Fol. 16^a. الباب الخامس في مذهب سبدا عاصم بن ابى
النجود الكوفى *

Bâb VI. Fol. 16^b. الباب السادس في مذهب سبدا حمزة الكوفى

Bâb VII Fol. 21^a. الباب السابع في مذهب سبدا على الكسائى
الكوفى *

Bâb VIII. Fol. 22^a. الباب الثامن فى ناكت الاضافة

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in minute Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red. A short lacuna is found on fol. 18^a.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1262.

foll. 8 ; lines 11 ; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; $8 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

[رسالة فى القراءة]

[RISÂLAH FI'L-QIRÂ'AT.]

A tract on the various readings of the Qurân.

Author: Ismâ'il bin Sayyid Ahmad Ja'far as-Sânî اسمعيل بن سيد احمد جعفر الثانى .

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذى انزل القرآن بالقراءات الصحيحة المروية عنه بلا
ارتياب و شرف حاملها بالكرامات الجليله على غير هم من الطلاب
اما بعد فيقول احقر مخاوفات حضرة الباري اسمعيل الغريب بن سيد احمد
جعفر الثانى انى لما رأيت تسون بعض الفضلاء المتدينين
الى معرفة المجموع الثلاثة بالتوضيح و التبئين الفت فيها هذه الرسالة الخ

The author, who probably belonged to India and flourished in the middle of the 11th century of the Hijrah, tells us, at the end, that the tract is based on the following two works of his teacher, Shaikh 'Abdallaṭif bin Shaikh Jamâl an-Nahrawâlî, viz., (i) *Al-Jâmi' al-'Ilmî* and (ii) *An-Nûr al-Azhar*. He further tells us that he thought of writing another more detailed work on the same subject.

The tract was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on Tuesday, the 2nd Shawwâl, A H 1045=A.D. 1636.

Written in cursive Naskh, within coloured ruled borders.

Dated Thursday, the 5th Shawwâl, A.H. 1114=A.D. 1703.

No. 1263.

fol. 106; lines 27; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

الجواهر المكللة

AL-JAWÂHIR AL-MUKALLALAH.

A work, treating of the various readings of the ten canonical Qurân-readers, being an abridgment of the author's other work, entitled *Bahr al-Ma'ânî Wa Kanz as-Sab' al-Ma'sânî*.

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:—

الجواهر المكللة لمن رام الطرق المكمله *

Author: Muḥammad bin Aḥmad al-ʿAwfi العوفى. He flourished in the middle of the 11th century of the Hijrah. See Brock., vol ii, p. 326.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذى هدانا لهذا الذى كنا لنهتدي لولاه كتابه الميمى على كل كتاب انزل
و بعد فيقول اضعف عباد الله و احوجهم الى رحمته المنزلة محمد بن احمد
العوفى هذا كتاب فى القراءات العشرة اختصرته من كتابى المسمى
ببحر المعانى و كنز السبع المثاني لمن علمه و تعلمه *

The work was composed, as stated by Brock. (*loc. cit.*), in A.H. 1049=A.D. 1639.

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No. 666. For other copies see Waliaddin, No. 15; Cairo, vol. i, p. 95; and Râmpûr, p. 47.

Written in clear Arabian Naskḥ, within red-ruled borders.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1264.

fol. 11 ; lines 25 ; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

[رساله فى التكبير]

[RISĀLAH FI'T-TAKBÎR.]

A tract on the *Takbîr* (the expression, *Allāhu akbar*), which a Qurân-reader must recite either at the beginning or at the end of each Sûrah of the Qurân, based on the *Tayyibat an-Nashr* of Al-Jazarî (No. 1246 above)

Author: Zainaddîn Abu'l-'Azâ'im Sultân bin Ahmad bin Salâmah bin Ismâ'il al-Mazzâhî al-Azhari ash-Shâfi'î سُلْطَانُ ابْنِ الْعِزَّائِمِ سَلَامَةُ بْنُ إِسْمَاعِيلَ الْمَزَّاهِيَّ الْأَزْهَرِيُّ الشَّافِعِيُّ. He was born at Mazzâh (a village in Egypt) in A.H. 985=A.D. 1577. He studied under no less than thirty Shaikhhs. He was well-versed in the various readings of the Qurân and in the Shâfi'î law. In A.H. 1008=A.D. 1600 he was formally permitted by his Shaikhhs to write answers to legal and religious questions put to him. Subsequently, he was appointed a professor at the Jâmi' al-Azhar in Cairo, where pupils thronged to him from far and near to take lessons in the Qirâ'at and the Shâfi'î law. He wrote several instructive works, and died on Wednesday, the 17th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1075=A.D. 1664. See *Khulâsat al-Asar*, vol. ii, p. 210, and 'Iqd al-Jawâhir, fol. 199^a.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين و العافية للمتقين و صلى الله على سيدنا
محمد خاتم النبيين و بعد فقد كنت كتبت رسالة
لطيفة تشتمل على جميع الاوجه التى بين السور للقراء السبع من طريق
الشاطبية و الثلاثة ابى جعفر و خلف و يعقوب من طريق الدرة لابن
الجزري من سورة و الضحى الى آخر القرآن مع بيان التكبير و الآن قد
طلب مني بعض اصحابنا ان افعل كذاك من طريق الطيبة لابن الجزري
ايضا ليكون تذكارا له و لغيره نفع الله به فاجبته الى ذلك الخ *

The tract was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on the 8th Safar, A.H. 1048=A.D. 1638.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

No. 1265.

fol. 254; lines 23; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $7\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

غِيْثُ النَّفْعِ فِي الْقِرَآئَاتِ السَّبْعِ

GAÏṢ AN-NAF' FI'L-QIRÂ'ÂT AS-SAB'.

A work, treating of the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

Author: 'Alî an-Nûrî as-Safâqusî السفاقسى. He was a disciple of Muḥammad bin Muḥammad al-Afrânî al-Maġribî as-Sûsî (d. A. H. 1081 = A.D. 1671), to whom he refers in the preface thus:—

و إذا قلت شيخنا فالمراد به العلامة المحقق المدفن الصالح الغاصم
سيدي محمد بن محمد الافرانى المغربى السوسى نزيل مصر والمتوفى
بها رحمه الله تعالى شهيدا بالطاعون او اخر ذى القعدة الحرام سنة واحد
و ثمانين و الف *

Our author flourished towards the end of the 11th century of the Hijrah. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 461.

Beginning:—

قال الشيخ الفقيه الامام العالم العلامة المحقق الولي الصالح سيدي
علي النوري السفاقسى رضى الله عنه و نفعنا به و بعلمه آمين الحمد لله
الذي انزل القرآن و شرفنا بحفظه و تلاوته النخ *

The author, in the preface, condemns the spread of unauthorised and doubtful readings of the Qurân; and says that, although the number of authorised and correct readings of the holy book may exceed seven, he prefers to disregard readings other than the canonical seven.

The following ten preliminary points of the Qirâ'at are discussed in the introduction:—

I Fol. 2^b. الاولى تواتر عن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم انه
قال ان هذا القرآن انزل على سبعة احرف فاقروا
ما تيسر منه *

II. Fol. 4^b. الثانية مذهب الاصوليين وفقهاء المذاهب الاربعة
و المحدثين و القراء ان التواتر شرط في صحة
القراءة *

- III. Fol. 5^a. الثالثة شرط المقرئ ان يكون مسلماً عاقلاً بالغاً ثقة
مأموناً مناصباً خالفاً من الفسق و مسقطات
المروءة *
- IV. Fol. 5^b. الرابعة يجب على كل من يقرأ القرآن ان يخلص
النية لله ولا يطلب بذلك غرضاً من اعراض الدنيا *
- V. Fol. 6^a. الخامسة ينبغي له تحسين هيبته و ليعتد من
الملابس المنهي عنها *
- VI. Fol. 7^a. السادسة لم يكن في الصدر الاول هذا الجمع
المقعار في زماننا بل كانوا لاهتمامهم بالخبر
و عكوفهم عليه بقروء على الشيخ الواحد *
- VII. Fol. 8^a. السابعة للشيوخ في كنفه هذا الجمع ثلاثة مذهب
الثامنة لاند لكل من اراد ان يقرأ بمضمين كتاب ان
يحفظه على ظهر قلبه *
- IX. Fol. 9^b. التاسعة لاند لكل من اراد القراءة ان يعرف الخلاف
الواجب من الخلاف الجائر *
- X. Fol. 10^a. العاشرة اهمل الشاطبي رحمه الله ذكر طرق كتابه ائكالا
على اصله التيسير و نحن نذكرها تكميلاً للفائدة *

For other copies see Br. Mus., No. 78, and Alger, No. 369.

The work has been printed in Cairo, A.H. 1293.

Written in small Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

Scribe: عبد الرحمن بن السيد الزنني.

No. 1266.

fol. 11 ; lines 18-21 ; size $7\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

[رسالة فى القراءة]

[RISÂLAH FI'L-QIRÂ'AT.]

A tract on the reading of Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alâ' al-Baṣrî (*d.* A.H. 154=A.D. 771), as handed down by Ḥafṣ bin 'Umar ad-Dawrî (*d.* A.H. 246=A.D. 860) and Abu'sh-Shu'aib Ṣâliḥ bin Ziyâd as-Sûsî (*d.* A.H. 261=A.D. 874).

The title of the work and the author's name are not known.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله الذي فتح و علم و اوضح و فهم و يسر و الهم و فضل نبينا على
الانبياء وكرم و فضل كتابه على الكتب و قدّم فنحن السابقون الاولون
المخصوصون بالدين الاقوم و الذبي الاكرم و الكتاب الاعظم
و بعد فاني ذاكر في هذا الكتاب قراءة الامام ابي عمرو بن العلاء البصري النخ *

We are told, in the preface, that the present work is based on the *Kitâb at-Taisîr* of Abû 'Amr ad-Dânî (No. 1215, ii above) and the *Hîrz al-Amânî* of Ash-Shâtibî (No. 1221 above).

Contents :—

1. باب الهمز الساكن. fol. 2^b ; باب البسمة. fol. 2^a ; باب الاستعاذة. fol. 5^b ;
2. باب الهمزتين من كلمة. fol. 6^a ; 3. باب المد و القصر. fol. 6^b ;
4. باب مذهب ابي عمرو فى الفتح و الامالة. fol. 7^a ; 5. باب الهمزتين من كلمتين.
6. باب الوقف على مرسوم الخط. fol. 9^b ; 7. باب الوقف على اواخر الكلم. fol. 8^a ;
8. fol. 10^a.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in cursive Naskh.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

Two flyleaves, at the end, contain miscellaneous notes and extracts from other books.

No. 1267.

foll. 18; lines 19; size $9 \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

القواعد المقررة والفوائد المحررة

AL-QAWÂ'ID AL-MUQARRARAH WA'L-FAWÂ'ID AL-MUHARRARAH.

A tract, treating of the various readings of the seven canonical Qurân-readers.

Author: Muhammad bin Qâsim bin Ismâ'il al-Baqarî ash-Shâfi'î اسمعيل البقرى الشافعى. He was a great authority on the subject of Qirâ'at, of which he was a professor at the Jâmi' al-Azhar in Cairo. He was born in A.H. 1018=A.D. 1609; and he died in Cairo, according to Brock., vol. ii, p. 327, on the 20th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1111=A.D. 1699. The 21st Rajab, A.H. 1107=A.D. 1695, is also given as the date of his death. See Silk ad-Durar, vol. iv, p. 35, and Tâj at-Tabaqât, vol. xii, part i, fol. 47^b.

Beginning:—

يقول المعترف بدنونه الراجى من ربه ستر عيوبه محمد بن قاسم بن اسمعيل البقرى الشافعى مدهبا الزهري وطننا مستعبنا بالله متوكلا عليه الحمد لله على افضاله و اشهد ان لا اله الا الله وحده لا شريك له و بعد فقد سألنى بعض الاخوان ان اجمع رسالة تستمل على ما يتعلق بمذهب كل واحد من القراء بانفراده سالكا طريق الاختصار فاجبته الى
سواله الخ *

The title of the tract is not found in the MS.; but the tract is identical with that entitled *Al-Qawâ'id al-Muqarrarah Wa'l Fawâ'id al-Muharrarah*, a copy of which is noticed in Berlin, No. 624.

The author tells us, in the preface, that the tract contains only what he had collected from the teachings of his Shaikh, 'Abdarrahmân al-Yamanî (d. A.H. 1050=A.D. 1640; see *Khulâsat al-Asar*, vol. ii, p. 358).

Written in fair Naskh.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

Scribe: وهبة بن الشيخ محمد سالم.

No. 1268.

fol. 218; lines 29; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

اتكاف فضلاء البشر بالقراءات الاربعة عشر

ITHĀF FUḌALĀ' AL-BASHAR BI'L-
QIRĀ'ĀT AL-ARBA'AH 'ASHAR.

A work, treating of the fourteen readings of the Qurân.

Author: Aḥmad bin Muḥammad bin Aḥmad bin 'Abdalḡanî ad-Dimyâtî ash-Shâfi'î, commonly called Al-Bannâ' أحمد بن محمد بن أحمد بن عبد الغنى الدمياطى الشافعى الشهير بالبناء. He was born at Dimyât (a town in Egypt) in A.H. 1040=A.D. 1630. He was a great Sûfî of the Naqshbandiyah order, and one of the most learned men of his age. Besides the present work, he wrote a treatise on the signs of the end of this world, entitled الذخائر المهمة فيما سجد السماء من المسموعات, and an abridgment of the *Insân al-'Uyûn* of Alî al-Halabî (d. A.H. 1044=A.D. 1634). He died at Medina on Monday, the 3rd Muḥarram, A.H. 1117=A.D. 1705. See Tâj at-Tabaqât, vol. xii, part i, fol. 104^b, and Brock, vol. ii, p. 327

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذى جمع ببديع حكمته اشتات العلوم باوجز كتاب وفتح
بمقاليد هدايته مقفلات الفهوم لافصح خطاب وبعد فلما كان عام
الاثنين وثمانين بعد الالف و من الله تعالى بالرحلة الى طيبة المفورة زادها
الله تعالى نورا وشرفا النخ *

The author tells us, in the preface, that it was in A.H. 1082=A.D. 1671, when he was staying at Medina, where a large number of pupils flocked round him to take lessons in the various readings of the Qurân, that he formed the project of writing the present work, and began to collect material from the following authorities:—

1. *An-Nashr fi'l-Qira'ât al-'Ashr*, by Muḥammad Ibn al-Jazarî (No. 1243 above).
2. *Tayyibat an-Nashr*, by the same (No. 1246 above).
3. *Sharḥ Tayyibat an-Nashr*, by Muḥammad al-'Aqilî an-Nuwairî (d. A.H. 837=A.D. 1433).
4. *Kitâb al-Laṭâ'if*, by Aḥmad bin Muḥammad al-Qaṣṭallânî (d. A.H. 923=A.D. 1517).

He further tells us that he found very useful the notes which

he had taken down from the lectures of his teacher, Nûraddîn 'Alî ash-Shabrâmallisî (*d.* A.H. 1087=A.D. 1676).

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The rest of the work is arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

For other copies see Râgib Pâshâ, No 4; Cairo, vol. i, p. 91; Hamîdiyyah, No. 15; Ayâ Şûfiyah, No. 32; and Râmpûr, p. 44.

The work has been printed, viz., in A.H. 1285.

Written in minute Naskh, within gold and black-ruled borders ; with an illuminated frontispiece.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

Scribe : العاجي محمود بن محمد امين شيخ القراء في اباصرفية.

No. 1269.

fol. 522 ; lines 17 ; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 4\frac{3}{4}$; 6×3 .

The Same.

Another copy of the same work.

The first two folios contain a list of the names of eminent Qurân-readers.

Fol. 3, 231, 275-277 and the last two folios are late insertions, having been copied from the preceding MS.

Written in fair Naskh.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

No. 1270.

fol. 364 ; lines 27 ; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work.

Written in elegant Naskh on glazed paper. Fol. 182^b is blank.

Dated A.H. 1261=A.D. 1846.

Scribe : حافظ عبد الرحمن بن حسن.

No. 1271.

fol. 156 ; lines 15 ; size $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

القواعد السنية

AL-QAWÂ'ID AS-SANÎYAH.

A treatise on the reading of 'Âsim bin Abi'n-Nafjûd (*d.* A.H. 128=A.D. 746 ; see *Mir'ât al-Janân*, fol. 67^b), as handed down by his pupil, Ḥaṣṣ bin Sulaiman (*d.* A.H. 180=A.D. 796 ; see *ibid.*, fol. 97^a), based on the *Ḥirz al-Amâni* of Ash-Shâṭibî (No. 1221 above).

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows :—

القواعد السنية في قراءة حفص عن عاصم من طريق الشاطبية *

Author: Ibrâhîm bin Ismâ'il al-'Adawî asme'il al-'Adawî, a disciple of Abu'l-Mawâhib bin Abdalbâqî al-Ḥanbalî (d. A.H. 1126 = A.D. 1714; see Silk ad-Durar, vol. i, p. 67). He died about A.H. 1140 = A.D. 1727. See Berlin, No. 649.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي انزل القرآن العظيم رحمة للامة وتيسيرا و فهمنا طرق
فراءته و بعد فقد سألتني من خص بمزيد التوفيق و العناية و حظى
بالتحقيق و الولاية ان اجمع قراءة حفص عن عاصم من طريق ولى الله
الشاطبي النج *

We learn from the preface that, in A.H. 1078 = A.D. 1668, the author had already written a treatise on the same subject, and had incorporated therein the work of his aforesaid teacher, Abu'l-Mawâhib al-Ḥanbalî. For this treatise see Berlin, No. 649.

The work is divided into two *Naw'*, the first being subdivided into fifteen *Bâb* as follows :—

I. Fol 3 ^b .	باب الاسعداة
II. Fol. 5 ^a	باب السهلة
III. Fol. 6 ^a .	باب الادغام
IV Fol. 6 ^b .	باب هاء الكنانة
V. Fol 8 ^a .	باب المد و القصر
VI. Fol. 11 ^a .	باب الهمزتين من كلمة
VII. Fol. 16 ^a .	باب الهمزتين من كلمتين
VIII. Fol. 18 ^a .	باب الهمز المفرد
IX. Fol. 21 ^a .	باب الاظهار و الادغام
X. Fol. 24 ^b .	باب احكام النون الساكنة و النونين
XI. Fol 26 ^a .	باب الفتح و الامالة
XII. Fol. 29 ^b .	باب الوقف على اواخر الكلم
XIII. Fol. 31 ^b	باب الوقف على مرسوم الخط

XIV. Fol. 37^b.

باب يَأْتِ الْأَضَافَةُ

XV. Fol. 43^a.

باب يَأْتِ الرِّوَاثُ

The second *Naw'* is arranged according to the *Sûrahs* of the *Qurân*, explaining the reading of every *Sûrah*.

At the end, the author traces his *Isnâd* (chain of successive teachers) to two great authorities on the subject of *Qirâ'at*, viz., (i) Abû 'Amr ad-Dânî (*d.* A.H. 444=A.D. 1053), and (ii) Abu'l-Qâsim ash-Shâtibî (*d.* A.H. 590=A.D. 1194).

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in small and fair Naskh, with the headings in red. Slightly water-stained.

Dated A.H. 1098=A.D. 1687.

No. 1272.

fol. 197; lines 13-17; size $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

الاختلاف في وجوه الاختلاف

AL-I'TILÂF FÎ WUJÛH AL-IKHTILÂF.

A work on the discrepancies, which occur in the ten readings of the *Qurân*, arranged according to *Sûrahs* on the same lines as the *Tayyibat an-Nashr* of Al-Jazarî (No. 1246 above).

Author: 'Abdallâh bin Muḥammad bin Yûsuf bin 'Abdalmannân al-Ḥilmî al-Ḥanafî, better known as Yûsuf Âfindîzâdah عبد الله بن محمد بن يوسف بن عبد المنان العلمي الشيبهري يوسف آفندى زاده. He was born at Constantinople in A.H. 1081=A.D. 1671. He received his early education from his father, and subsequently completed it under celebrated masters of his native city. After completing his education, he attached himself to Sultân Aḥmad III (A.H. 1115-1143=A.D. 1703-1730) and then to Sultân Maḥmûd I (A.H. 1143-1168=A.D. 1730-1754), both of whom showered upon him marks of respect and favour. For some time he officiated as Imâm of Jâmi' Nakhband; and he was then appointed Mufasssîr of the Dâr al-Kutub, which was built by Sultân Maḥmûd within the precincts of his new palace. He was munificently rewarded by the Sultân for his commentary on *Al-Jâmi' as-Ṣaḥîḥ* of Al-Bukhârî, entitled *Najâh al-Qârî*, in thirty volumes. He also wrote a commentary on

the *Al-Jāmi' as-Sahih* of Al-Muslim and a gloss on Al-Baidāwī's commentary on the Qurān. He was a great scholar, and held in much esteem at the Turkish capital, where he died on Monday, the 16th Rabī' II, A. H. 1167 = A. D. 1754. See *Tāj at-Tabaqāt*, vol. xii, part ii, fol. 83^b, and *Silk ad-Durar*, vol. iii, p. 87.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله الذي أنزل القرآن على سبعة أحرف أما بعد
 فيقول العبد الفقير إلى عناية ربه الفدير عبد الله بن محمد السهير بيوسف
 أوفدى زادة يسر الله بالخير ما ارادة لقد طال ما جال فى خلدى ان اجمع
 على ترتيب السور القرآنية بعض الآيات التى اجتمع فيها الاختلاف من
 الوجوه و الروايات من فرأت الأئمة العسر على طريقة طيبة المنسر و اطبقها
 على الطرق التى جاء منها ذلك الاختلاف حتى يحصل بينها الاتيام
 و الائتلاف لكن كان يعوفنى العوائق عن ذلك الامر اللائق الغائق الى ان
 ينسب الىّ بذلك من المشتغلين بهذا الفن لدى من هو صالح لان يعتد
 بشأنه و مستعد لان يلغى اليه مانحن بصدد جمعه و بانه و شرعت فيه
 متوكلا على الله و مستعيناً فى جمع امورى بالله و سميته الائتلاف فى
 وجوه الاختلاف النح *

No other copy of the work is known

The work ends with the following epilogue :—

هذا ما تيسر لى من جميع الوجوه لبعض القراء و الرواة فى بعض
 الآيات القرآنية على ترتيب السورة الفرادية على ما اخذنا من اقوال المسائخ
 الكرام و الأئمة الاعلام مع تطبيق الطرق على قدر الامكان و ان كان يضيق
 عن احاطتها نطاق البيان *

The colophon, which is in Turkish, runs thus :—

كاتب هذا الائتلاف خواجه زاده ساكن بكيه جيلرحانند السيد حملة
 القرآن محمد امين سنه ييك يوزيتمش يدى جمادى الآخر اوجنجى
 كنى اتمام او لمسدر تمت *

Written in fair Naskh, within red-ruled borders; with an illuminated frontispiece.

Fol. 40^a is blank, but there is no break in the context.
Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1273.

foll. 133; lines 27; size 8×6; 6¼×3¼.

مرشد الطلبة

MURSHID AT-TALABAH.

A treatise on the various readings of the ten eminent Qurân-readers, arranged according to Sûrahs on the same lines as the *Tayyibat an-Nashr* of Al-Jazari (No. 1246 above).

Author: Aḥmad ar-Ruṣḥdî, better known as Yûsuf Imâm Âfindîzâdah أحمد الرشدي العريف يوسف امام آفندي زاده, a Turkish scholar, who flourished in the latter part of the twelfth century of the Hîjrah.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين حمدا يوافي نعمه ويكافئ مزيده
وبعد فهذه رسالة العبد الفقير الحقير المعترف بالعجز و التقصير خادم
القرآن العظيم احمد الرشدي العريف بين الاقران بيوسف امام آفندي
زاده يسره الله تعالى بالخير ما اراده النخ *

In the preface, the author tells us that he learnt the science of Qirâ'at from Muhammad Âfindî, better known as Ḥâjjîzâdah, who was a professor at the College of *Shaiḥ Mashâ'ikh al-Islâm Muḥammad As 'ad Âfindî* (d. A.H. 1166=A.D. 1752; see Brock., vol. ii, p. 424). The author also tells us, in the preface, that he was a professor for a long time at Jâmi' Abi'l-Futûḥ; and it was there that the present work was composed, at the request of some of his pupils. Three authorities (which appear to be contemporary works) are cited as the sources of the present treatise, viz., (i) رسالة شيخ على; (ii) كتاب الائتلاف by Yûsuf Âfindîzâdah (No. 1272 above); and (iii) بدائع البرهان by Muṣṭafâ al-Izmîrî (d. A.H. 1152=A.D. 1739; see Brock., vol. ii, p. 440).

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in a minute Naskḥ. Omissions in the text are supplied in the margins.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

No. 1274.

fol. 25 ; lines 21 ; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; 6×4 .

(Two short treatises bound together.)

fol. 1-16.

I.

غنية الفقير

GUNYAT AL-FAQÎR.

A short treatise on the *Takbîr* (the expression, *Allâhu akbar*) and other prayers, which a Qurân-reader should recite either at the beginning or at the end of each Sûrah of the Qurân, based on the *Tayyibat an-Nashr* of Al-Jazari (No. 1246 above). The full title of the work, as stated in the preface, is as follows :—

غنية الفقير لما للطيبة من التكبير *

Author : Aḥmad bin ‘Abdalmun‘im bin Khayyâm ash-Shâfi‘î ad-Damanhûrî احمد بن عبد المنعم بن خدام الشافعي الدمنهوري. He was born about A.H. 1090=A.D. 1679. The author of the *Silk ad-Durar* (vol. i, p. 117) describes him as a great scholar, deeply versed in the various readings of the Qurân, and in several other branches of Muhammadan literature. He was appointed Principal of the Jâmi‘ al-Azhar. He wrote several works, and died in A.H. 1192=A.D. 1778. See *silk ad-Durar* (*loc. cit.*).

Beginning :—

الحمد لله الذي منحنا حفظ كتابه المبين و اتحفنا بمعرفة قدر رواياته
عن الأئمة المتقين الخ *

The work is divided into four *Fasl* and a *Khâtimah*, as follows :—

- I. Fol. 1^b. الفصل الاول في سبب ورود التكبير
- II. Fol. 2^a. الفصل الثاني في ذكر من ورد عنه و ابن ورد و صبغنه
- III. Fol. 3^a. الفصل الثالث في صبغنه و حكم الانبان به و سببه
- IV. Fol. 7^a. الفصل الرابع في امور تتعلق بختم القرآن العظيم
- Khâtimah*. Fol. 9^b. الخاتمة في مسائل منثورة اخذناها عن شيخنا
الشيخ عبد الجواد الميداني و استاذنا الشيخ
احمد بن الخبازة *

foll. 17-25.

II.

فوائد في علم القراءات

FAWÂ'ID FÎ 'ILM AL-QIRÂ'ÂT.

A short treatise on the various readings and correct pronunciation of the Qurân, based on the *Tayyibat an-Nashr* of Al-Jazarî (No. 1246 above).

The author's name is not known. He occasionally refers to Aḥmad al-Isqâṭi (d. A.H. 1132=A.D. 1720; see Silk ad-Durar, vol. i, p. 149) as his *Shāikh*, and to Sultân al-Mazzâḥî (d. A.H. 1075=A.D. 1665) as his teacher's teacher.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين و الصلاة و السلام على سيدنا محمد و آله
اجمعين و بعد فهذه فوائد في علم القراءات من طريق الطيبة و غيرها الخ *

The work is divided into numerous short *Masâ'il*.

Both treatises are written by the same scribe, in Arabian Naskḥ, with the headings in red.

Dated A.H. 1204=A.D. 1790

No. 1275.

foll. 30; lines 23; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4$.

الثغر الباسم في قراءة عامم

AŞ-SAĞAR AL-BÂSIM FÎ QIRÂ'AT
'ÂŞIM.

A treatise on the reading of the Qurân, according to 'Âşim (d. A.H. 128=A.D. 746) and his two pupils, viz., *Shu'bah* (A.H. 160=A.D. 777) and *Hafṣ* (d. A.H. 180=A.D. 796), derived from *Ash-Shâṭibîyah* (No. 1221 above).

Author: 'Alî 'Aṭīyah Abû Muṣliḥ al-Ġamrīnî ash-Shâfi'î al-Azhari علي عطيه ابو مصلي الغمريني الشافعي الأزهرى.

Beginning:—

حمدا لمن اصطفى من عبادة اهل كتابه و خصهم بمزايا بين العباد فعم
خلاصة احبابه و بعد فيقول راجي عفوره العلي علي عطية

ابو مصلح الغمرينى السامعى الازهرى وفقه الله و غفر له و لمن والا
 هذه مقدمة فى قراءة عاصم الكوفى و راييه شعبة و حفص من طريق ولى
 الله تعالى محمد بن فاسم الشاطبى وسميتها الثغر الباسم فى
 قراءة عاصم النخ *

The author, who flourished towards the end of the twelfth century of the Hijrah, tells us, in the preface, that he was assisted in writing the present work by his teacher, 'Alī al-Badrī (*d* A.H. 1190 = A.D. 1776; see Silk ad-Durar, vol. iii, p. 257). Our author also quotes frequently from the works of As-Sayyid 'Alī al-Muqri (*d* A.H. 1169 = A.D. 1756) and Muḥammad bin Ḥasan al-Munayyir (*d* A.H. 1199 = A.D. 1785), each of whom he calls his *Shāikh* and teacher.

The work ends with a *Khāṭimah*, containing a prayer to be recited after finishing the reading of the Qurān.

The work was completed, as stated by the author in the colophon, on Monday, the 5th Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 1188 = A.D. 1775.

An incomplete copy of the work is noticed in Cairo, vol. i, p. 94.

The present copy, dated the 6th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 1190 = A.D. 1776, was transcribed two years after the composition of the work.

Written in small Arabian Naskh, with marginal notes.

Scribe: محمد هبكل الدردى.

No. 1276.

foll. 172; lines 11; size $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{4} \times 3$.

The Same

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

The author's colophon, containing the date of composition, is not found in this copy.

Written in fair Naskh, within double red-ruled borders.

Dated the 15th Rajab, A.H. 1295 = A.D. 1878.

Scribe: أحمد جلال الدين.

No. 1277.

fol. 12; lines not uniform in number; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$.

مسائل شتى

MASÂ'IL SHATTÂ.

An anonymous pamphlet, containing rules important to all students of Qirâ'at and Tajwid.

The rules are extracted from the following works, to which the author refers at the end of the quotations:—

1. *At-Taisir*, by Abû 'Amr 'Usmân bin Sa'id ad-Dânî (No. 1215, ii above).

2. *Zubdat al-Furqân*.

3. *Al-Mukarrar*, by Sirâjaddin Abû Hafs an-Nashshâr (No. 1255 above).

4. *Al-Hawâshî al-Mufhimah*, by Abû Bakr Ahmad (No. 1296 below).

5. *Kanz al-Ma'ânî*, by Ibrâhim bin 'Umar al-Ja'barî (No. 1230 above).

6. *Sharh ad-Durr al-Yatîm*, by Mullâ 'Alî al-Qârî (d. A.H. 1014 = A.D. 1605).

7. *Durr al-Afkâr*, by Muhammad bin Ahmad al-'Awfî (who died about A.H. 1050 = A.D. 1640).

8. *Tahdîb al-Qirâ'at*, by Muhammad Sâchaqlizâdah al-Mar'ashî (d. A.H. 1150 = A.D. 1737; see Râgib Pâshâ, No. 7).

Beginning:—

اعلم ان الكساعى كان يقف على هاء التانيث و ما ضارعا في اللفظ
بالامالة الا ان يقع قبل الهاء احد من عشرة احرف الطاء و ظ و ص و ض و
ح و ع و ق و الف و خ و غ و الخ *

On fol. 6^b is a list of the names of the Imâms of Qirâ'at, with the dates of their death and particulars of the places where they flourished. On the next page is given a list of the names of the persons, who trace their *Isnâd* (chain of successive teachers) to these Imâms.

Written in fair Naskh. Fol. 7^b is blank

Not dated; probably 19th century.

No. 1278.

fol. 88; lines 21; size $9\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

الفوز العظيم فى شرح فتح الكريم

AL-FAWZ AL-'AZÎM FÎ SHARH
FATH AL-KARÎM.

A commentary on the author's own metrical treatise on the various readings of the ten eminent Qurân-readers, entitled *Fath al-Karîm*.

Author: Muḥammad al-Mutawallî ash-Shâfi'î al-Khalwatî al-Azhari محمد المنولى الشافعى الخلوئى الأزهرى, a great Şûfî, belonging to the Khalwatiyah order. He held the post of professor in the Jâmi' al-Azhar, and wrote several works on the subject of Qirâ'at. Besides the present work he wrote, as he states on fol. 4^b, an abridgment of the *Kitâb an-Nashr* of Ibn al-Jazari (No. 1243 above) in three parts, each having a separate title, as follows:—

- (i) نهذب النشر وخرانة القراءات العشر.
- (ii) فتح الرحمن فى تجويد القرآن.
- (iii) انضاح الدلالات فى ضابط ما يجوز من القراءات و يسوغ من الروايات.

He also wrote two other works, viz., (i) الوجهة المسفرة فى الامام العشرة, which has been lithographed in Cairo, A.H. 1308, and (ii) فتح المعطي و غنة المقرئ, which is a commentary on the author's own tract, entitled المقدمة, of which both text and commentary have been lithographed in Cairo, A.H. 1309. He died in A.H. 1313=A.D. 1895 See Iktifâ' al-Qunû', pp. 121 and 123.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي ارسل رسوله بالهدى و الدين القويم رحمة للعالمين
مؤيدا بالآيات و الذكر الحكيم اما بعد فيقول اسير وصمة ذنبه
و فقير رحمة ربه محمد المتولى الشافعى الخلوئى بلغه الله جميع مأموله
بجاء نبينه و رسوله لما من الله على بانشاء هذا النظم المسمى بفتح الكريم
فى تحرير اوجه القرآن شرح مدرجى لان ازينه بتعليق لطيف لكل قاصر
مئلى ضعيف و سميته الفوز العظيم فى شرح فتح الكريم الخ *

The first verse of the text runs thus :—

حمدت ألهـا كافيا من بـوكلا عليه و مغن من اليه تبـلا

From verses 5 and 6 and the accompanying commentary we learn that the text is really a metrical version of the *Tayyibat an-Nashr* of Ibn al-Jazarî (No. 1246 above), of whose life a brief sketch is given. In his commentary on verses 8 and 9, the author tells us that he consulted three other works, viz., (i) *Kitâb an-Nashr* of Ibn al-Jazarî (No. 1243 above); (ii) *Badâ'i' al-Burhân* of Muṣṭafâ bin 'Abdarrahmân al-Izmîrî (d. A.H. 1152=A.D. 1739); and (iii) '*Umdat al-Furqân fî Wujûh al-Qurân*, by the same Al-Izmîrî (see Berlin, No. 667).

The text was completed, as stated by the author on fol. 86^a, in the month of Rabî 'II, A.H. 1284=A.D. 1867; and the commentary was finished, according to the colophon, on Saturday, the 16th Ṣafar, A.H. 1288=A.D. 1871.

The colophon reads thus :—

تم هذا الكتاب في يوم السبت المبارك ستة عشر خلت من شهر
صفر سنة ثمانية وثمانين و مائين و الف و كان الفراغ من
نقل هذه النسخة المباركة يوم الثلاثاء تاسع ذى الحجة ختام عام سنة ١٢٩٠
الف [sic سبعين] و مائين و الف من هجرة من له العز و الشرف *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Arabian Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated A.H. 1290=A.D. 1873.

Scribe : احمد [بن] خلف الطهوي المالكي.

ORTHOGRAPHY OF THE QURÂN.

No. 1279.

fol. 52; lines 21; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

كتاب المقنع

KITÂB AL-MUQNI'.

A treatise on the orthography of the copies of the Qurân sent by 'Usmân, the third Caliph (A. H. 23-35=A.D. 644-656), to the chief Muslim cities.

By Abû 'Amr 'Usmân ad-Dânî (*d.* A. H. 44=A.D. 1053), for some account of whom see No. 1214 above.

Beginning:—

قال الحافظ ابو عمرو عثمان بن سعيد بن عثمان المقرئ الدابي رضى
الله عنه و ارضاه الحمد لله الذى اكرمنا بكتابه المذول و شرفنا بنصيبه
المرسل هذا كتاب اذكر فيه ان شاء الله تعالى ما سمعته من
مشيختى و رويته عن ائمتى من مرسوم خطوط مصاحف اهل الامصار
المديفة و مكة و الكوفة و البصرة و سائر العراق الخ *

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No. 419. For other copies see S. de Sacy, *Notices et Extraits*, vol. viii, pp. 290-332; Br. Mus. Suppl. No. 83; Wien, No. 1624; Paris, No. 593; Leyden, No. 1635; Waliaddin, No. 39. See also Brock, vol. i, p. 407, and Hâf. *Khal.*, vol. vi, p. 95.

Foll. 43^b-52^b contain a supplement by the same author, entitled *Kitâb an-Nuqaṭ*. It begins with a short prefatory note, in which the author tells us that, after completing the *Kitâb al-Muqni'*, he considered it necessary to add the following nine chapters on the rules regarding diacritical points:—

Fol. 43^b. باب ذكر من نقط المصاحف من النابعين و من كره ذلك

Fol. 44^b. باب ذكر مواضع الحركات من الحروف و تراكب التنوين

و تتابعه *

Fol. 46^b. باب ذكر حكم النون الساكنة و ما بعدها

Fol. 47 ^a .	باب ذكر احكام المظهر والمدغم
Fol. 49 ^a .	باب ذكر احكام الصلوات في الفات الوصل
Fol. 49 ^b .	باب ذكر احكام نقط ما نقص من هجائه
Fol. 50 ^a .	باب ذكر احكام نقط ما زاد في هجائه
Fol. 51 ^a .	باب ذكر امتنعان مواضع الهمزات من الكلم
Fol. 51 ^b .	باب ذكر اللام الف

No other copy of the above supplement is known.

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

Slightly worm-eaten.

The title-page contains a seal, bearing the inscription لسان السلطان
محمود الدولة منشي محمد صفدر عليخان بهادر

No. 1280.

fol. 48; lines 18; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; 6×3 .

The Same.

A defective copy of the same work, beginning as the above. After the first folio there are several folios wanting. The supplementary portion is also wanting.

Written in fair Naskh. Slightly worm-eaten.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

The title-page contains the seal and signature of a certain Zainaddin Ahmad Khân Bahádur, dated A.H. 1229 = A.D. 1814

No. 1281.

fol. 75; lines 21; size $9 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

الوسيلة الى كشف العقيلة

AL-WASÎLAH ILÂ KASHF AL-'AQÎLAH.

An old and remarkable copy of a commentary on the *Aqîlatu Atrâb al-Qasâ'id*, or metrical treatise on the proper orthography of the Qurân, by Abû Muhammad al-Qâsim ash-Shâṭibî (*d.* A.H. 590 = A.D. 1194).

The author of the commentary does not reveal his name; but in the preface he calls the author of the text his teacher. We know him to have been 'Alamaddīn Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alī bin Muḥammad bin 'Abdassamad as-Sakhāwī عبد الصمد بن محمد بن عبد الصمد السخاوي. He died in A.H. 643=A.D. 1245. For some account of his life, see No. 1224 above.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذى بدأ المنى و اعادها و اسبغ النعم و افادها
و بعد فان الله تعالى جعل الكتابة من اجل منافع البشر و اعلاها الخ *

For other copies see Wien, No. 1634; Berlin, No. 495; Paris, No. 610; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 89; S. de Sacy, *Notices et Extraits*, vol. viii, p. 336; Cairo, vol. i, p. 47; and Râmpūr p. 56. See also Brock., vol. i, p. 410, and Hâf. Khal., vol. iv, p. 244.

Written in fair Naskh; with some marginal notes. The quotations from the text are in red. Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained.

Dated Friday, the 2nd Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 807=A.D. 1405.

Scribe: علي بن محمود بن محمد الملقب بصائغ الشيرازى.

The title-page contains the following three notes:—

I. A note by 'Alī bin Sultān Muḥammad al-Harawī, the well-known scholar and the author of several works, who died in A.H. 1014=A.D. 1605, stating that the MS. once belonged to him:—

ملكه بالسراء الشيرعى افقر عباد الله الملك العننى على بن سلطان
محمد الهروى لطف الله بهما بلطفه الخفى *

II. A note by 'Alamallāh bin 'Abdarrazzāq al-Hanafī, stating that he purchased the MS. from the above-mentioned 'Alī bin Sultān Muḥammad al-Harawī:—

فاز بملكه بالسراء الشيرعى منه سلمه الله و افاد الفقير الى الله العننى
علم الله بن عبد الرزاق الحنفى *

III. A note in Persian, dated the 1st Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 1022=A.D. 1613, stating that the MS. was secured for a certain library (see below) after the death of Shaikh 'Alamallāh (the writer of the second note):—

كتاب الوسيله فى شرح قصيدة العقيله بخط نسخ جلد سياه شكسته
بادت از تركه شيخ علم الله جمع كتاب خانه معموره شده بتأريخ
غرة ماه ذى الحجة سنة ۱۰۲۲ *

This note is followed by a seal bearing the name of 'Abdarrahim Khân, most probably the celebrated 'Abdarrahim Khân, who bore the title of Khân Khânân. He was the son of Bairam Khân, the first prime minister of the emperor Akbar (A.H. 963-1014=A.D. 1556-1605), and died in A.H. 1036=A.D. 1627. Hence the library referred to in the note is evidently that of Khân Khânân.

The title-page also contains four seals, bearing the name of Qâḍî Muḥammad Sharī'atallāh Khân, dated A.H. 1211=A.D. 1797.

No. 1282.

fol. 12; lines 21; size $9\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

هداية المرتاب و غاية الحفاظ و الطلاب

HIDÂYAT AL-MURTÂB WA ĠÂYAT AL-HUFFÂZ WA'T-TULLÂB.

A versified tract on the orthography of the Qurân. All such words as may be confounded with one another in reading are alphabetically arranged, with references to the Sûrahs in which they occur.

Author: 'Alamaddîn Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad bin 'Abdaṣṣamad as-Sakhâwî عبد الصمد بن محمد علي بن محمد السخاوي (d. A.H. 643=A.D. 1245), for some account of whom see No. 1224 above.

Beginning:—

قال السخاوي علي ناظما كان له الله الرحيم راحما
الحمد لله الحميد الصمد منزل الذكر على محمد

The tract consists of 425 verses, as stated in the last verse:—

و خمسة من بعد عشرين العدد مع اربع من المئين لم ترد

For other copies see Berlin, No. 710; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 95, v; Cairo, vol. i, p. 119; Râmpûr, p. 56; and Âsafiyah, p. 304. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. vi, p. 497, and Brock., vol. i, p. 410

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Dated Friday, the 22nd Rajab, A.H. 1267=A.D. 1851.

Scribe: عبد العي [بن] موسى [بن] عمر القريظي الشافعي.

The title-page contains a seal, bearing the name of 'Abdalḥamîd Nâfi'.

No. 1283.

fol. 9; lines 15; size $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

روضة الطرائف فى رسم المصاحف

**RAWDAT AT-TARÂ'IF FÎ RASM
AL-MASÂHIF.**

A versified work on the proper orthography of the Qurân.

Author: Burhânaddîn Abu'l-'Abbâs Ibrâhîm bin 'Umar bin Ibrâhîm bin Khalîl al-Ja'barî ar-Raba'î **برهان الدين ابو العباس ابراهيم بن عمر بن ابراهيم بن خليل الجعبري الرعي** (d. A.H. 732=A.D. 1332; see Lib. Cat., vol. xii, No 706).

Beginning:—

الله احمد علام العيوب على آلائه حمد راجى العفو مبتدلا

The last verse runs thus:—

يضع مسكا ذكيا مؤنقا زهرا مطيبا طيبه الابكار و الاصل

No other copy of the work is known

Written in fair Arabian Naskh, with occasional vowel points.

Foll. 2-3 should follow fol. 9.

Dated the Madrasah Nûriyah, Ba'labakk, Tuesday, the 3rd Muḥarram, A.H. 726=A.D. 1325

Scribe: شهاب الدين احمد بن ابراهيم بن صالر البعلى.

The title-page contains the author's autograph note, stating that the MS. was read in his presence by the scribe, Shihâbaddîn Ahmad bin Ibrâhîm bin Şâlar al-Ba'li, whom he authorised to publish the work. The note reads thus:—

قرأ على هذه روضة الطرائف فى رسم المصاحف الشيخ العالم العامل
الفاضل الاديب الفقيه المقرئ شهاب الدين احمد بن ابراهيم بن صالر
البعلى قراءة جيدة و اجزت له روايتها بشرطها كتبه ناظمها ابراهيم بن عمر بن
ابراهيم الجعبري الخليلي حامدا و مصليا *

No. 1284.

foll 110 ; lines 9 ; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; $5 \times 2\frac{1}{4}$.

مورد الظمان

MAWRID AZ-ZAM'ÂN.

A metrical treatise on the orthography of the Qurân, contain
ing altogether 514 verses.

Author : Abû 'Abdallâh Muhammad bin Muḥammad bin Ibrâhîm
bin 'Abdallâh al-Umawî ash Sharîshî al-Kharrâzî ابو عبد الله محمد
بن محمد بن ابراهيم بن عبد الله الاموي الشرنشبي الخزازى. He lived in the
earlier part of the 8th century of the Hīrah. Some account of his
life is given by his disciple, Abû Muḥammad 'Abdallâh bin 'Umar
as-Ṣanhâjî, in the preface of *At-Tibyân* (No. 1285 below), where
he is described as the foremost Qurân-reader of Fez, especially versed
in the readings handed down by Nâfi' (d. A.H. 169=A.D. 786).
Besides the present work, he wrote a metrical treatise on the various
readings of the Qurân, entitled '*Umdat al-Bayân*', and several other
works in prose and verse. His forefathers were natives of Sharîsh (a
town in Andalusia); but he himself settled permanently at Fez,
where he died and was buried in the cemetery of Al-Jiziyyîn.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله العظيم المنن و مرسل الرسل باهدى سنى

The work is based, as stated by the author in the preface, on the
following four authorities :—

1. *Al-Muqni'*, by Abû 'Amar ad-Dânî (No. 1279 above).
2. '*Aqîlatu Atrâb al-Qaṣâ'id*', by Ash-Shâtîbî (d. A.H. 590=
A.D. 1194).
3. *At-Tanzîl*, by Abû Dâ'ûd Sulaimân bin Najâh al-Balansî (d.
A.H. 496=A.D. 1103 ; see *Tabaqât al-Qurrâ'*, by Aḍ-Ḍahabî. fol. 102^a).
4. *Al-Munṣif*, by Abu'l-Ḥasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad al-Murâdî
al-Balansî (who lived about A.H. 563=A.D. 1168 ; see *At-Tibyân*,
fol. 26^b).

The work was completed, as stated by the author at the end, in
A.H. 703=A.D. 1304.

For other copies see Alger, Nos. 386-9, 394 and 411. See also
Brock., vol. ii, p. 248.

Written in clear and bold Arabian Naskḥ, within double red-
ruled borders. The headings of the chapters, which are also in verse,
are in red.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

The title-page contains the seals and signature of a certain Jalâladdin.

No. 1285.

fol. 178; lines 33, size $10 \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; $7\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

التبيان في شرح مورد الظمان

AT-TIBYÂN FÎ SHARH MAWRID
AZ-ZAM'ÂN.

A commentary on the preceding work, composed in A.H. 744 = A.D. 1344.

The author's name, as given in the beginning, is Muḥammad bin 'Abdallāh as-Sanhāji عبد الله الصنهاجي; but in Brock, vol. ii, p. 248, he is called Abū Muḥammad 'Abdallāh bin 'Umar as-Sanhāji. He was a disciple of the author of *Mawrid az-Zam'ân*, and lived in the middle of the 8th century of the Hijrah

Beginning —

صلى الله على سيدنا و مولانا محمد الكريم و على آله و صحبه و سلم
تسلما كثيرا يقول العبد الفقير الراجى الى رحمة ربه و عفوه و غفرانه محمد
بن عبد الله الصنهاجي الحمد لله الملك الديان الرحيم الرحمن
القديم الاحسان الواسع الغفران الكنان المزان ذى العظمة و السلطان الخ *

The author, in the preface, after dwelling on the importance of the art of writing, describes minutely the occasion of the composition of the present commentary. He tells us that it was begun in the life-time of the author of *Mawrid az-Zam'ân*, but the work was dropped for some time, and was taken up again on the earnest persuasion of his friends and pupils in A.H. 744 = A.D. 1344. He further tells us that he had studied the *Mawrid az-Zam'ân* with its author, and that his copy of this work, which he transcribed from the original, begins as follows:—

قال عبيد الله محمد بن محمد بن ابراهيم بن محمد بن عبد الله الاموى الشوبشى عفى الله عنه. Then he gives a short biographical notice of the author of the *Mawrid az-Zam'ân*; and says that he tried hard to ascertain the precise dates of his birth and death, but unsuccessfully.

The colophon reads thus:—

انتهى السرح بحمد الله تعالى و صلى الله على سيدنا و نبينا و
 مولا [دا] محمد الكريم و على آله و صحبه و سلم تسليما و كن الفراغ منه يوم
 الجمعة و هو الاول من شهر صفر المبارك من عام اربعة و تسعين و سبعمائة
 فرحم الله كاتبه و فاريه و ناظمه و ناظره و من دعا اللهم بالرحمة آمين
 يا رب العالمين *

On the margin of the last folio, there is a note to the effect that the date, A.H. 794=A.D. 1392, given in the colophon, is not that of the present MS. but of the copy from which it was transcribed. Though the note is in a later hand, we may accept it as correct; and the paper and handwriting indicate that the present copy was made towards the end of the 16th century.

A copy of the work is noticed in Alger, No. 389/15.

Written in Arabian Naskh, quotations from the text being indicated by a red line above the words. The correct order of the folios should be as follows: 1-32, 40, 34-39, 33, 41-136, 144, 138-143, 137, 145-178. A large gap is found on fol. 104^a.

The title-page contains a seal, bearing the inscription عبد الباقى
 بن ولي الله العلوي مرقد عوت العيدروس . dated A.H. 1118=A.D. 1706.

No. 1286.

fol. 101; lines 15; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5$, $4\frac{3}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

افشاد الشريد من ضوال القصيد

INSHÂD ASH-SHARÎD MIN DAWÂLL AL-QAŞÎD.

A treatise, dealing with the method of writing the Qurân, arranged according to Sûrahs.

On the title-page, the work is designated *Kitâb Shawâhid Ibn Ġâzî 'Ala'sh-Shâtibîyah*; but the beginning of the MS. is identical with that of *Irshâd ash-Sharîd*, noticed by Hâj Khal., vol., i, p. 461.

Author: Abû 'Abdallâh Muhammad bin Ahmad bin Muhammad bin Muḥammad bin 'Alî bin Ġâzî al 'Uṣmânî al-Miknâsî ابو عبد الله محمد بن احمد بن محمد بن علي بن غازي العثماني المكناسي, the

greatest divine of his time. He belonged to the Banû 'Uṣmân, a tribe of Morocco, and was born at Miknâsah in A.H. 841=A.D. 1438. Besides the present work, he wrote several books on history and mathematics. In his work, entitled *الروض البتون في اخبار مكناسه و الرندون*, a history of his native city, Miknasah, he gives a short account of his life. He says that, about A.H. 858=A.D. 1454, he travelled to Fez to prosecute his studies there. After completing his education, he proceeded to Kitâmah, where he spent about twenty years with his relatives. Subsequently he settled permanently at Fez, where he was appointed Imâm and Khatîb of the Jâmi' al-Qarâwiyîn. He died at Fez in A.H. 919=A.D. 1513. See Brock, vol ii, p. 240.

Beginning:—

يقول العبد المقصر المعترف بدبده العفير الى رحمة ربه محمد بن
محمد بن علي بن غازي العثماني سمح له بمنة الحمد لله الذي من
عليها بقراءة كتابه العزيز و وفعا لدوام تلاوته النج *

For other copies see Alger, No. 367/3, and Râmpûr, p. 45.

Written in hasty Naskh, within double red-ruled borders.

Dated Sunday, the 21st Rajab, A.H. 1279=A.D. 1862.

Scribe: حسن بن موسى الشافعي.

The title-page contains a poem by Shihâbaddîn Abû Shâmah (d. A.H. 665=A.D. 1267) on the abbreviations used by Ash-Shâtîbî and others in their works on the subject of Qirâ'at. The poem begins thus:—

الف نافع و البا لقالون فاسمع و بالجيم ورش كن به متمثلا

The title-page also contains a note, stating that the total number of verses contained in the Qurân is 6,666.

No. 1287.

fol. 6; lines 25; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

رسالة لطيفة في الرسم

RISÂLAH LATÎFAH FI'R-RASM.

A tract on the orthography of the Qurân, based on a commentary on the '*Aqîlatu Atrâb al-Qaṣâ'id*' of Ash-Shâtîbî (d. A.H. 590=A.D. 1194).

The author's name and his dates cannot be traced.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الولي الحميد ذو [sic ذى] العزة والقدرة و التمجيد
احمده حمدا لا ينفذ ولا يبيد و بعد فهذه رسالة لطيفة
فى الرسم جمعتها من شرح الرائية الخ *

No other copy of the tract is known.

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1288.

fol. 109; lines 15; size $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

الجواهر الفريد في رسم القرآن المجيد

AL-JAWHAR AL-FARÎD FÎ RASM AL-QURÂN AL-MAJÎD.

A treatise on the orthography of the copies of the Qurân sent by 'Uṣmân, the third Caliph, to the chief Muslim cities.

Author: Sayyid bin Yûsuf bin 'Âmir 'Arîṣḥah al-Hûrînî سید بن یوسف بن عامر عریضه الهورینی. He flourished towards the end of the 13th century of the Hîjrah.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذى علم بالقلم علم الانسان ما لم يعلم احمده سبحانه
و تعالى واشكركه على ما اولانا من النعم و اشهد ان لا اله الا الله و حده
لا شريك له الموصوف بالقدم اما بعد فلما كان علم الرسم من
اهم المهمات و التخصص فيه من الواجبات سيما رسم القرآن الوارد عن الامام
سيدنا عثمان بن عفان الخ *

The author tells us, in the preface, that he extracted the present work, at the request of some of his friends, from *Taḡrîd al-Jamîlah limunâdamat al-'Aqilah*, a commentary on Ash-Shâṭibî's *'Aqîlatu Atrâb al-Qaṣâ'id*.

The work is divided into a *Muqaddimah*, twelve *Bâb* and a *Khatimah*, as follows:—

Fol. 2^b. مقدمة الكتاب في اصل نسخ المصاحف العثمانية و كم هي

و سبب شكل ما استجد بعد ها *

Fol. 11 ^a .	الباب الاول فى الاثبات و العدف من اول القرآن
Fol. 24 ^b .	الباب الثانى فى حذف كلمات بعمل عليها اشباعها
Fol. 42 ^a .	الباب الثالث فى زيادة الالف
Fol. 44 ^b .	الباب الرابع فى حذف الداء و تبدلها
Fol. 50 ^a .	الباب الخامس فى زيادة الداء
Fol. 51 ^a .	الباب السادس فى حذف الواو و زيادتها
Fol. 54 ^b .	الباب السابع فى احرف وقعت فى الرسم على عرق قناس و هو باب الهمة من حيث كانت ابتدائية و ممتوسطة و منطوقة *
Fol. 73 ^b .	الباب الثامن فى رسم الالف واوا
Fol. 75 ^a .	الباب التاسع فى رسم الالف باء
Fol. 83 ^a .	الباب العاشر فى حذف احدى اللامين فى الرسم
Fol. 84 ^a .	الباب الحادى عشر فى المقطوع و الموصول
Fol. 94 ^b .	الباب الثانى عشر فى هاء التانث التى نكتب تاء
Fol. 97 ^b .	الخاتمة فى العروف النورانية و معانها و خواصها

The work was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on Wednesday, the 22nd Safar, A. H. 1286=A. D. 1869.

Foll. 103^b–108^b contain an extract from *Ad-Dahab al-Ibriz* of Ahmad bin al-Mubarak.

Fol. 109^a contains a poem by a certain As-Sayyid Zain al-Marṣafī as-Sayyād in praise of the present work, beginning:—

للمرسم فد ألفت أوفى جوهر فزهت خرائده نابهى منظر

Written in Naskh, with the headings in red. The MS. appears to be an autograph copy, the author referring to himself on the title-page in the following terms:—

هذا الكتاب المسمى بالجواهر الفريد فى رسم القرآن المجيد لمؤلفه
الفقير الى ربه سيد بن يوسف بن عامر عريسه الهويذنى بلدا عفى الله عنهما

آمين *

A table of contents is prefixed to the work.

Four fly-leaves, at the beginning, contain appreciations by a number of the author's contemporaries, including Ash-Shaikh Muḥammad

al-Mutawallî ash-Shâfi'î (*d.* A.H. 1313=A.D. 1895; see Iktifâ' al-Qunû', p. 121) and Ash-Shaikh Naṣr Abu'l-Wafâ' al-Hûrîni (*d.* A.H. 1291=A.D. 1874; see *ibid.*, p. 114)

PRONUNCIATION OF THE QURÂN.

No. 1289.

fol. 113; lines 17; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$

كتاب الوقف و الابتداء

KITÂB AL-WAQF WA'L-IBTIDÂ'.

An index of the pauses (وقف) to be observed in reading the Qurân.

The author himself does not reveal his name. In the following note on the title-page, the work is ascribed to Muhammad bin Taifûr al-Ġaznawî as-Safâwandî (who died about A.H. 560=A.D. 1165; see Brock., vol. i, p. 408):—

كتاب الوقف و الانتداء للعلامة السجاولندي رضى الله تعالى عنه

أميد

It would appear, however, that our author cannot be earlier than the 7th century of the Hijrah, since he refers in his preface to *Al-Murshid*, a work by Abû Muḥammad Hasan bin 'Alî bin Sa'îd al-'Ummânî, who flourished in the middle of the 7th century (see Brock., vol. ii, p. 99).

Beginning:—

الحمد لله المفتاح كلامه بحمد المجرى اللسان به لطف من عنده
المستنطق مقال الذكر على جزائل ذكره المستغرق خصائل الشكر في طوائف
شكره و شرائف صلواته على نبيه و عبده الوا في بعهدة عهده البازل نهاية
جهده في بداية جهده و على آله القائمين على حدة من بعده الخ *

In the preface, it is stated that the present work was undertaken because *Al-Maqâti' wa'l-Mabâdi* and *Al-Murshid*, the only two works

on the subject available at that time, were both of them too long, and therefore tiresome for students. An abridgment of the latter work by Zakariyâ bin Muhammad al-Ansârî (*d.* A.H. 926=A.D. 1520), entitled المقصد لتخليص ما في المرشد في الوقف و الابتداء, has been twice printed, viz., at Bûlâq, A.H. 1282, and in Cairo, A.H. 1305.

The preface is followed by a description of stops, which are divided into five classes, viz., (i) لازم; (ii) مطلق; (iii) جائز; (iv) مجوز لوجه; and (v) مرخص لوجه. The main body of the work is arranged according to Sûrahs, the beginning and end of each verse being given, and the class of stops employed being classified accordingly.

Another copy of the work is noticed in Cairo, vol. i, p. 104.

Written in minute Naskh.

Dated the 3rd Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1138=A.D. 1726.

Scribe: محمد الكردى بن حاج دنا.

No. 1290.

fol. 134; lines 15; size $8 \times 5\frac{1}{4}$; 6×3 .

The Same.

Another copy of the same work.

Begins as the preceding copy. Apart from occasional variants, the two MSS. are identical. It is difficult, therefore, to understand why, in a note on the title-page, written in a very recent hand, the following particulars are given as to the title and authorship:—

رساله میرزا حسن بردی در سجاوندی مسمی بمعدل *

Written in small Nasta'liq.

Not dated; probably 18th century

No. 1291.

fol. 38; lines 25; size 8×6 ; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

(Ten separate works bound together.)

fol. 1^b-18^a.

I.

شرح عمدة المفید

SHARH 'UMDAT AL-MUFİD.

A commentary on the '*Umdat al-Mufid wa 'Uddat al-Mujid*, a metrical treatise of As-Sakhâwî (*d.* A.H. 643=A.D. 1245) on the correct

pronunciation of the Qurân, consisting of 64 *Kâmil* verses on the model of the *Qaṣīdah Rā'iyah* of Abū Muzāḥim Mūsā al-Khāqānī (d. A.H. 325=A.D. 936; see Berlin, No. 485).

The commentator does not reveal his name; but in all likelihood he is Jamāladdin Ismā'īl bin Muḥammad bin Ismā'īl bin Sa'dallāh, commonly called Ibn al-Fuqqā'f al-Hamawī, جمال الدين اسمعيل بن محمد بن اسمعيل بن سعد الله الشهير بابن الفقاعي الحموي. Imām Dahabī, in the *Tabaqāt al-Qurrā'*, fol. 181^b, describes him as a great scholar, deeply versed in the various readings of the Qurân, the traditions of the Prophet, and several other branches of Muhammadan literature. He was born at Ḥamāt, A.H. 642=A.D. 1244, where he served as a professor in several Madrasahs, and died in A.H. 715=A.D. 1315. See *Buġyat al-Wu'ât*, fol. 156^a; *Ad-Durar al-Kāminah*, vol. 1, fol. 115^b; *Tabaqāt al-Qurrā'*, fol. 181^b; and *Tāj at-Tabaqāt*, vol viii, fol. 31^a.

The text begins thus:—

يا من يروم تلاوة القرآن ويرود شاور ائمة الانشقاق

The commentary begins thus:—

الحمد لله الذي اتخذ الحمد لنفسه ذكرا ورضى به عن عباده شكرا و صلواته على سيدنا محمد الذي صدع بالوسالة و اندر بفصيح المقالة و على آله انطيين الطاهرين و سلم تسليما فان الفصيذة الغونية المنسوبة الى السنيغ الامام العلامة علم الدين السخاوي برد الله مضجعه في معرفة تجويد القرآن و بحقبق الفاظه عظيمة الشان *

The commentator tells us, in a short prefatory note, that he wrote this commentary at the request of his son, explaining the difficult words and phrases of the text and adding considerable new material from other sources.

Another copy of the work is noticed in Wien, No. 1628 See also Brock., vol. i, p. 410, and Hâj. Khal., vol iv, p. 267

fol. 18^b-25^b.

II.

شرح عمدة المفيد

SHARḤ 'UMDAT AL-MUFĪD.

Another commentary on As-Sakhāwī's '*Umdat al-Mufīd*, by Shamsaddin Aḥmad bin Maḥmūd al-Adīb al-Ḥakīm al-Muqrī شمس الدين احمد بن محمود الاديب الحكيم المقرئ.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله الذي أنزل القرآن العظيم والذكر الحكيم الخ *

Cf. Hâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 267.

fol. 25^b-28^b.

III.

ارجوزة التجويد

URJŪZAT AT-TAJWĪD.

A metrical tract, consisting of 132 verses on the subject of the correct pronunciation of the letters of the Arabic alphabet.

By Muḥammad bin Khalil al-Qubâqibî محمد بن خليل القباقيبى (d. A.H. 849=A.D. 1445); for some account of whom see No. 1250 above.

Beginning :—

يقول راجى الله ذى المواهب محمد الشهير بالقباقيبى
بدأت فى نظمي ببسم الله و فيه ثنيت بحمد الله

Though the first two verses of the present tract are identical with those of the *Majma' as-Surûr*, another metrical work by the same author, treating of the various readings of the fourteen Qurân-readers (see Cairo, vol i, p. 105), yet it is clear that the present tract is a different work, and in the last verse is entitled by the author *Urjûzat at-Tajwîd*, as below :—

مد بجزت ارجوزة التجويد بحمد ربى المالک المجيد

No other copy of the tract is known.

fol. 28^b-29^b.

IV.

منظومة فى الصاد والظاء

MANẒŪMAH FI'D-DÂD WA'Z-ZÂ'.

A versified essay on the letters ذ (d) and ظ (z), with the following heading :—

هذه الابيات من نظم سيف الدين ابى نصر محمد بن محمود رحمه
الله لفظت اذا كتبت بالصاد كانت بمعنى و اذا كتبت بالظاء كانت بمعنى
غيره و تفسير ما يشكل من غريبها تاتى كل لفظة نظما و الحمد لله وحده *

Author: Saifaddîn Abû Naṣr Muḥammad bin Maḥmûd سيف الدين
ابو نصر محمد بن محمود.

Beginning:—

افضل ما فاة به الانسان و خير ما جرى به اللسان
حمد الاله و الصلوة بعده على النبي فهو خير عبده

fol. 29^b–33^a.

V.

بهجة المقربين

BAHJAT AL-MUQARRABÎN.

An anonymous tract, dealing with the rules regarding the letter ن, the *Tanwîn* (nasal vowels), the *Hurûf al-Madd* (prolongation) and the *Makhârîj al-Hurûf* (articulation).

Beginning:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين اما بعد فهذه بهجة المقربين في
معرفة النون الساكنة و التنوين و المد و مخارج الحروف و صفاتها و مآكل
حرف من الالقاء و الصفات النح *

fol. 33^b.

VI.

شروط الفاتحة

SHURÛṬ AL-FÂTIḤAH.

A short essay, explaining the rules regarding the recitation of *Sûral al-Fâtiḥah* (the first chapter of the Qurân). The author's name is not known.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي انسأنا بقدرته النح *

fol. 34^a–36^a.

VII.

قصيدة الشيخ الوعظي

QAṢĪDAT AŞH-SHAĪKH AL-WA'ÎZÎ.

An ode consisting of 102 verses, containing moral lessons, by Aşh-Shaikh al-Wa'îzî الشيخ الوعظي.

Beginning :—

ليس المقام بدار الوزن الغدسى [sic] و لا معاشرة الاوباش من شيمي
انا الوعيطى ولي فى الشعر نافلة اسمع وصية [sic] امين غير متهم

The *Qasidah*, noticed in Berlin, No. 8088, is evidently the same ode ; but the Berlin MS. has 130 verses, and is probably the more correct version. The above two verses are quoted in that catalogue with some variation, as follows :—

ليس المقام بدار الذل من شيمي و لا المجاورة الاوباش من هممى
انا الوعيطى ولي فى الشعر نافلة افهم كلامى شبيه الدر مفتظمى

The last verse of the Berlin copy, beginning with, رب اغفر لنا ظمها, is not given in our MS.

fol. 37^a–37^b.

VIII.

منظومة فى التسابيح

MANZÛMAH FI'T-TASÂBÎH.

An ode containing 34 verses in praise of God, by Maḥmūd al-Luṭfī اللطفي محمود.

Beginning :—

سبحان ربى الذى فد كان فى الازل ربنا رحيمنا و هذا الوصف لم يزل

In this ode, all but the last five verses begin with the word سبحان or سبعانه.

fol. 37^b–38^b.

IX.

استغفارة

ISTIĠFĀRAH.

An ode of 44 verses on the *Istigfâr* or praying for God's pardon, by Ibn al-Qâsim al-Munâwî ابن القاسم المناوي.

Beginning :—

استغفر الله من ذنبى و من زلى و من فعالي و من قول بلا عمل

fol. 38^b.

X.

القصيدۃ المنفرجه

AL-QAŞÎDAT AL-MUNFARIJAH.

An ode of 15 verses in praise of God, by Al-Yâfi'î; probably 'Afifaddîn 'Abdallâh bin As'ad al-Yâfi'î اسعد بن الله بن اسعد عفيف الدين (d. A.H. 768=A.D. 1368; see Lib. Cat., vol. xiii, No. 908).

Beginning:—

يا مدركا بسريع اللطف و الفرج عذ الشدائد للملهوف ذى الحرج

The whole MS. is written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1292.

fol. 25; lines 27; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; $6 \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

قرة العين

QURRAT AL-'AIN.

A treatise on *Fathah* (the vowel which is sounded in Arabic like "a") and *Imâlah* (i.e., giving to *Fathah* a sound like that of the vowel *Kasrah*).

Author: Abu'l-Baqâ' 'Alî bin 'Uṣmân bin Muḥammad bin Aḥmad bin al-Ḥasan al-Qâṣih al-'Uḍrî al-Baḡdâdî أبو البقاء علي بن عثمان بن عثمان بن محمد بن أحمد بن الحسن القاصح البغدادي (d. A.H. 801=A.D. 1399); for some account of whom see No. 1233 above.

Beginning:—

قال الشيخ الامام العلامة نور الدين علي ابو الحسن بن عثمان بن احمد بن ابي الحسن الشهير بالقاصح اما بعد حمد الله رب العالمين و الصلوة و السلام على سيدنا محمد خاتم النبيين و آله و صحبه اجمعين فان هذه رسالة سميتها قرة العين و جمعت فيها المشهور من الفتح و الامالة و بين اللفظين مما قرأت به و رويته عن الائمة السبعة من الطرق المعول عليها في عصرنا الخ *

We are told, in the preface, that the work is based on authentic traditions of the seven canonical readers of the Qurân, and that the main object of the author is to help students of *At-Taisîr* of Ad-Dânî (No. 1215, ii above) and the *Hîrz al-Amâni* of Ash-Shâtibî (No. 1221 above).

The work is arranged according to the Sûrahs of the Qurân.

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 549-550; Leyden, No. 1641; Paris, No. 2677; Cairo, vol i, p. 109; and Aṣafiyah, p. 302. See also Hâj-Khal., vol. iv, p. 511, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 165.

Written in elegant Naskh, with the headings in red, within red-ruled borders. Fol. 24 should come after fol. 17.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

At the end is a licence (إذن نامئ شريف), dated A.H. 1215=A.D. 1800 granted by Faiḍallâh Âfindî to his disciple, Muṣṭafâ bin Ibrâhîm Âfindî, authorising him to narrate his teachings to others.

No. 1293.

fol. 71; lines 15-22; size $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{4}$; $5 \times 2\frac{3}{4}$

تحفة الانام

TUHFAT AL-ANÂM.

A treatise on the subject of pausing at the letter ء (*Hamzah*), in reading the Qurân, according to the methods of *Hamzah* (d. A.H. 156=A.D. 773) and *Hishâm* (d. A.H. 245=A.D. 859).

By the same Ibn al-Qâṣih al-Baġdâdî.

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:—

تحفة الانام فى الوقف على الهمزة الحمزة و هسام *

Beginning:—

الحمد لله المائدة قدرته القاطعة حجته العالية كلمته السابعة نعمته
الذي تكلم بالقرآن وى ازيلته و حفظه لمن شاء من بريته اما
بعد فانك سألتني ايها الاخ الصالح النجيب الفالح ان الخص
لك ورفات تحتوي على بعض مسائل من باب وقف حمزة و هشام فاجبتك
الى ما سألت الخ *

The author tells us, in the preface, that he wrote this work at the request of his brother, whom he does not mention by name, and that he derived material from the *Kitāb at-Taisīr* of Ad-Dānī (No. 1215, ii above), the *Kitāb an-Nashr* of Ibn al-Jazarī (No. 1243 above) and several commentaries on the *Hirz al-Amānī* of Ash-Shāṭibī (No. 1221 above).

For other copies see Cairo, vol. i, p. 106, and Āṣafiyyah, p. 296.

Written in Naskḥ.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1294.

fol. 54; lines 23; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; 6×3 .

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

Written in fair Naskḥ, with the headings in red.

Dated A.H. 1184 = A.D. 1770.

No. 1295.

fol. 117; lines 14; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; 6×3 .

(Two separate works bound together.)

fol. 1^b-74^a.

I.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

Fol. 74^b-75^a are blank.

fol. 75^b-117^a.

II.

[مسائل القراءة]

[MASÂ'IL AL-QIRÂ'AT.]

A treatise on the correct reading of the Qurân, written by Zainaddîn Abu'l-'Azâ'im Sultân bin Aḥmad bin Salâmah bin Ismâ'il al-Mazzâḥî al-Miṣrî al-Azhari ash-Shâfi'i زين الدين أبو العزائم سلطان بن أحمد بن سلامة بن اسمعيل المزاحي المصري الأشعري (d. A.H. 1075 = A.D. 1664), in answer to a question put to him.

The preface, which is written by a pupil of the author, begins thus:—

الحمد لله الذي فيض للعلم ائمة فائمين به في كل وقت و اوان و
اهلهم لبيان حل المشكل منه باظهر حجة و برهان و بعد فيقول
شيخنا و سيدنا و مولانا العالم العلامة الحبر البكر الفهامة جامع اشتات
الفضائل شمس النهار زين الدين ابن احمد سلطان المزاحي
الشافعي الزهري الفقيه المقرئ متعنا الله بوجوده الخ *

The question begins thus:—

ما فولكم رضى الله تعالى عنكم في البسملة في اجزاء براءة هل هي
متروكة فيها الخ *

The answer, which is divided into twenty *Mas'alah*, begins thus:—

اجبت ان اتكلم عليه و آخرة كل مسئلة بالكلام عليها مع ذكر ما يتعلق
بها و هذا اوان السروع فافول اعلم ان جملة المسائل المذكورة
عشرون مسئلة المسئلة الاولى في البسملة في اجزاء براءة الخ *

Written in fair Naskh.

Dated, A.H. 1176=A.D. 1763.

Scribe: حافظ صنفه الله ولد شيخ سلام الله ساكن فصبه كوث در ملك صوات

No. 1296.

fol. 37; lines 20; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6$; 6×3 .

الكواشي المفهمه في شرح المقدمة

AL-HAWÂSHÎ AL-MUFHIMAH FÎ SHARH AL-MUQADDIMAH.

A commentary on *Al-Muqaddimat al-Jazariyah*, the well-known metrical treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by Shamsaddîn Abu'l-Khair Muḥammad bin Muḥammad Ibn al-Jazari (d. A.H. 833=A.D. 1429).

Beginning :—

الحمد لله المتعال في جلال فدسه لا احصى ثناء عليه كما هو اثنى
على نفسه اما بعد فان اولى ما تصرف فيه الهمم العوال كلام
الله الكبير المتعال النح *

The author of the commentary does not reveal his name, but in his preface refers to the author of the text as his father. From biographical notices of his father, we know him to have been Shihâbaddin Abû Bakr Ahmad bin Muḥammad احمد الدين ابوبكر احمد بن محمد. He was born at Damascus in A.H. 780=A.D. 1379, and was educated as a specialist in Qirâ'at and Tajwîd. For some time he lived with his father at Brussa, and afterwards in Cairo, where he was appointed by Tamerlane as his ambassador at the court of Sultân Faraġ Ibn Barqûq (A.H. 801-815=A.D. 1398-1412). Besides the present work, he wrote commentaries on two other works of his father, viz., (i) *Tayyibat an-Nashr* (No. 1246 above), and (ii) *Muqaddimatu 'Ilm al-Hadîs* (see Berlin, No. 1084). His commentaries were very much appreciated by his father, who speaks of them in the following terms (*vide* Ash-Shaqâ'iq an-Nu'mâniyah, vol. i, p. 39):—

و لما كان بمصر في غيبتى و اذا مجاوز بمكة شرح طيبة النشر فاحسن
فيه مع انه لم يكن عذدة نسخة بالحواشى التى كفت كتبت عليها و من
قبل ذلك شرح مقدمة التجويد و مقدمة علم الحديث من نظمى في
غاية الحسن *

The date of his death is not known

At the end of the commentary is a chapter on the rules to be observed in reading the Qurân.

The work was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on Saturday, the 27th Rabî' II, A.H. 806=A.D. 1403, at Lârindah, a town in Qarâmân.

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 511-12; Gotha, No. 563; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 93; Nûr 'Uṣmâniyah, Nos. 82-3; Kûprilizâdah, p. 180; Cairo, vol. i, p. 35, vol. vii, pp. 215, 221; Âsafiyah, p. 296; and Râmpûr, p. 48. See also Hâġ. K̲hal., vol. vi, p. 78, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 202.

The work has been twice printed, viz., in Cairo, A.H. 1309, and in Kâsân, A.D. 1893.

The present copy was transcribed by Maḥmûd bin Muḥammad, at the instance of his teacher, Mullâ Naṣrallâh.

Written in Nasta'liq, with quotations from the text in Naskh.
Dated Friday, the 14th Rabi' I, A.H. 1262=A.D. 1846.

No. 1297.

fol. 56; lines 21; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

اللائي السنيه في شرح المقدمة الجزريه

AL-LA'ÂLÎ AS-SANÎYAH FÎ SHARH AL-MUQADDIMAT AL-JAZARÎYAH.

A commentary on *Al-Muqaddimat al-Jazariyah*, by Shihâbaddîn Abu'l-'Abbâs Aḥmad bin Muḥammad bin Abî Bakr al-Khaṭîb al-Qastallânî ash-Shâfi'î بن أبي بكر أحمد بن محمد بن أبي بكر القسطلاني الشافعي (d. A.H. 923=A.D. 1517; see Lib. Cat., vol v, part i, No. 169).

Beginning:—

قال العفیر الی ربہ احمد بن محمد بن ابی بکر بن عبد الملک بن احمد بن محمد بن محمد بن حسین بن علی بن احمد بن علی القسطلانی المقبری غفر الله له و للمسلمین احمد الله سبحانه حمدا كثيرا دائما دوامه بافیا ببفائه اما بعد فهذا نعلیم علی مقدمة الشیخ الامام نقیة المحققین الاعلام ابی الخیر محمد بن محمد الجزری الشافعی سقی الله ثراه الخ *

The above is the title of the work, as given in the preface as well as on the title-page; but in Hâj. Khal., vol. vi, p. 78, Berlin, No. 526, and An-Nûr as-Sâfir, fol 57^b, it is entitled المقود السنيه فی شرح المقدمة الجزريه.

In the preface, the commentator tells us that he wrote this commentary at the request of some of his friends, incorporating much useful matter from the work of Al-Ja'barî (d. A.H. 732=A.D. 1332).

The preface is followed by an *Isnâd*, or chain of the commentator's successive teachers through whom he received the teachings of the author of the text.

A short biographical notice of the author of the text is given on fol. 3^b, under the heading تتمه.

In the colophon, it is stated that the work was completed on the

19th Šafar, A.H. 875=A.D. 1470, at Cairo; that it was revised by the author himself in A.H. 877=A.D. 1472 at Mecca; and that, at Mecca and also at Medina, it was read to some of the most learned men of the time, and finally to Shaikh 'Abdalqâdir al-Minhâj, who was entrusted by the author with the publication of the work on the 17th Muḥarram, A.H. 880=A.D. 1475.

Another copy of the work is noticed in Cairo, vol. i, p. 104.

Written in fair Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

No. 1298.

fol. 22; lines 23; size $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

الدقائق المحكمه في شرح المقدمة

AD-DAQÂ'IQ AL-MUḤKAMAH FÎ SHARḤ AL-MUQADDIMAH.

A commentary on *Al-Muqaddimat al-Jazarîyah*, by Zainaddîn Abû Yahyâ Zakariyâ bin Muḥammad al-Anṣârî زكريا ابو يحيى زكريا بن محمد الانصاري (d. A.H. 926=A.D. 1520); for some account of whom see Lib. Cat., vol. xiii, No 921.

Beginning:—

قال شيخ الاسلام و المسلمين زين الملة و الدين ابو يحيى زكريا الانصاري
الشافعى الحمد لله الذي افتتح بالحمد كتابه و اجزل لمن
جوده و عمل به ثوابه النج *

The work was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on the 1st Shawwâl, A.H. 883=A.D. 1478.

For other copies see Berlin, Nos. 516-21; Wien, No. 1636; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 94, ii; Alger, No. 407; Cairo, vol. i, pp. 97, 109, 112, 113, vol. vii, pp. 213, 495; and Âsafiyah, p. 298. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. vi, p. 79, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 202.

The work has been printed in Cairo, A.H. 1308.

The present copy was transcribed by Yûsuf bin Muḥammad ash-Shirbînî, a scholar of some repute and the author of *من القحوف في شرح قصيدة ابي شادوف*, which has been printed in Bûlâq, A.H. 1274, and lithographed in Cairo, A.H. 1289. He lived in the latter half of the

11th century of the Hijrah. He was alive up to A.H. 1098=A.D. 1687. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 278.

Written in cursive Naskh, with quotations from the text in red
Dated A.H. 1068=A.D. 1658.

The title-page contains the signature of Muhammad bin Ahmad al-Halabî, to whom the MS. once belonged.

No. 1299.

fol. 27 ; lines 16-23 ; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; 6×4 .

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

Written in minute Naskh, with marginal notes.

Dated Tuesday, the 10th Rajab, A.H. 1170=A.D. 1756.

The title-page contains notes concerning the purchase of the MS. by two former owners, viz., (i) Husain bin 'Abdallâh, and (ii) Diyâ' al-Islâm Ismâ'il ash-Shahârî.

No. 1300.

fol. 70 ; lines 23 ; size 8×6 ; $5\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

(Two separate works bound together.)

fol. 1-21.

I.

The Same.

Another copy of the same work, beginning as the above.

The colophon runs thus :—

وكان الفراغ من هذه المقدمة يوم خامس فى شهر شوال الحرام
سنة تسعمائة وثلاث وخمسين كتبه الفقير الراجي عفو ربه
ابراهيم بن اسكندر *

Written in small Arabian Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated the 5th Shawwâl, A.H. 953=A.D. 1456.

foll. 22-70.

II.

الحواشي المفهمة

AL-HAWÂSHÎ ÂL-MUFHIMAH.

Another copy of *Al-Hawâshî Âl-Mufhimah*, beginning as No. 1296 above.

The colophon reads thus:—

تم الكتاب نهار الخميس لخمس خلون من شهر رجب سنة ثلث
و خمسين وتسعمائة *

Written in small Arabian Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated Thursday, the 5th Rajab, A.H. 953=A.D. 1546.

No. 1301.

foll. 56; lines 31; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

حاشية على شرح المقدمة الجزيرة

HÂSHÎYAH 'ALÂ SHÂRH AL-MUQAD-DIMAT AL-JAZARÎYAH.

A gloss on *Ad-Daq'iq al-Muḥkamah* (No 1298 above), being an abridgment of the gloss written by Sharafaddîn bin Zain al-Âbidîn Yûsuf (d. A.H. 1068=A.D. 1657), the grandson of the author of the text.

Author: Abu's-Su'ûd Ahmad bin 'Umar al-Isqâṭî al-Hanafi ابو السعود احمد بن عمر الاسقاطي الحنفى. He was born in Cairo, A.H. 1073=A.D. 1662. He studied at his native city under Ahmad bin 'Abdallaṭîf al-Bishbîshî (d. A.H. 1096=A.D. 1685), Muḥammad bin 'Abdalbâqî az-Zarqânî (d. A.H. 1122=A.D. 1710), Ahmad bin Muḥammad al-Khalifî (d. A.H. 1127=A.D. 1715) and several other eminent scholars. He served as a professor in the Jâmi' al-Azhar, and died on the 12th Du'l-Qa'dah, A.H. 1159=A.D. 1746. See Silk ad-Durar, vol. i, p. 149; Tâj at-Ṭabaqât, vol. xii, part ii, fol. 40^a; and Brock., vol. ii, p. 327.

Beginning:—

يقول العبد الفقير الى لطف ربه الجليلي و الخفي احمد بن عمر
الاسقاطي الحمد لله الذي وفق من شاء لتجويد كتابه و اجزل
لمن اذ يحسن هديه *

The present gloss explains only verbal difficulties in the text, introducing the sentences to be explained with the word قوله in red.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in small Arabian Naskh.

Dated Monday, the 20th Rabi' I, A.H. 1183=A.D. 1769.

Scribe : محمد القرني المالكي.

No. 1302.

fol. 73 ; lines 25 ; size $7\frac{3}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

المنح الفكرية في شرح الجزرية

AL-MINAH AL-FIKRÎYAH FÎ SHARH AL-JAZARÎAH.

A commentary on *Al-Muqaddimat al-Jazarîyah*, by Mullâ 'Alî, bin Sulţân Muḥammad al-Qârî al-Harawî محمد علي بن سلطان القارى ملا علي بن سلطان محمد القارى (d. A.H. 1014=A.D. 1606 ; see Lib. Cat. vol. v, part i, No. 237).

Beginning :—

الحمد لله الذي اودع جواهر المعاني الضيائية في فوالج زواهر
المبادئ من الحروف الهجائية اما بعد فيقول الملتجى الى
حرم ربه الباري على بن سلطان محمد الفارى ان المقدمة
المفسومة للعلامة شيخ الاسلام و المسلمين الشدخ ابو الخدر شمس
الدين محمد بن محمد بن محمد الجزري قدس سره السري ما رأيت لها
شرحا كاملا يبين بياضا شاملا يكون لتدقيق الحقائق كالا فسنح نبالي ان امدح
عليها شرحا معتدلا لامختصرا مختلا و لا مطولا مملا الخ *

For other copies see Berlin, No. 522 ; Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 95 ; India Office, No. 49 ; Cairo, vol. i, p. 116, vol. vii, p. 426 ; and Hamidiyah, No. 22.

The work has been printed in Cairo. A.H. 1308.

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional vowel points. The quotations from the text are in red.

Dated A.H. 1116=A.D. 1704.

Scribe : عمر بن عمر البدرابي الازهرى الشافعي.

The title-page contains, besides a seal and signature of a certain Ḥāfiẓ Yahyâ Âfindî, dated A.H. 1214=A.D. 1799, a note by 'Abdarrahmân bin 'Abdallâh bin 'Abdarrahmân Sarrâj al-Makkî concerning his purchase of the MS. in A.H. 1280=A.D. 1863.

No. 1303.

fol. 101; lines 17-19; size 9×7; 7×6.

(Three separate works bound together.)

fol. 1^b-63^a.

I.

كتاب الوقوف

KITÂB AL-WUQÛF.

An index of the pauses (وقف) to be observed in reading the Quranic text, arranged according to Sûrahs, giving the end of each verse and stating the class of stop employed in every case.

The author's name is not known.

Beginning:—

سورة الفاتحة الكتاب مدنية و يقال مكية وهي سبعة آية حروفها مائة

و ثلاثة و عشرون و كلامها خمسة و عشرون كلمة العالمين ﴿١﴾

الرحيم ﴿٢﴾ الدين ﴿٣﴾ النخ *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in elegant Naskh, with marginal notes. The headings are in red. The correct order of the folios should be as follows: 1-8, 14, 10-13, 9, 15, 23, 17-22, 16, 24-63.

Dated A.H. 891=A.D. 1486.

Scribe: دروش بن احمد.

fol. 63^b-64^b.

II.

متفقات قراء

MUTTAFQÂT-I-QURRÂ'.

A short fragment of a Persian work, dealing chiefly with those principles of Qirâ'at which are universally accepted.

The author's name is not known.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله رب العالمين و العاقبة للمتقين اما بعد اين
مختصر يست در متفقات قراء و نقل است از زيد بن ثابت رضي الله عنه
كه فراءة القرآن سنة ماثورة ياخذها الآخر عن الاول الخ *

The headings contained in the present fragment are as follows :—

- (i) باب اول در اعوذ گفتن و بسم الله گفتن
- (ii) باب دوم در بيان احكام نون ساكن و ننون
- (iii) باب سبوم در ادغام
- (iv) باب چهارم در ادغام دو حرف از يك جنس
- (v) باب پنجم در تفخيم لفظ الله و ترقيق او
- (vi) باب ششم در تفخيم راء
- (vii) باب هفتم در ادغام چند كلمه معن مثل " احطت "

Written in fair Nasta'liq.

Not dated ; probably 16th century.

fol. 65^a—101^b.

III.

[مسائل نماز]

[MASÂ'IL-I-NAMÂZ.]

A fragment of a Persian work on prayer.

The author's name cannot be traced. He refers on fol. 99^b to his Persian translation of the *Fatâwâ* of Qâdî Khân (d. A.H. 592 = A.D. 1196), thus :—

اما نماز بیشین در روز اول رواست زیراكه پیش از وی هیچ نماز فوت شده
نیست تمامی این مسئله را در قاضی خان ببینند یا در ترجمه
وی که ما نبشته ایم *

The present fragment deals with that part of the subject which is concerned with the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, when used in prayer; also with the rules for repeating prayers, to make up for having omitted them at the appointed time. It opens abruptly with the words :—

اگر قرآن را درست قراوة نکرده باشد و تجوید را ندانسته باشد و سعی نمیکند و غلط و خطا میکند این را زلة القاری نمی گویند بلکه این جهل و تقصیر است و این عفو نیست و باین نماز فاسد میگردد النعم *

Written in fair Naskh. Slightly worm-eaten and water-stained. Not dated; probably 16th century.

Fol. 1^a contains, besides miscellaneous notes and extracts from other works, the seal and signature of Zainaddin Aḥmad Khān Bahādūr, dated A.H. 1229=A.D. 1814.

No. 1304.

fol. 215; lines 9; size $6 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $5 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$

[کتاب فی احکام القراة والتجوید]

[KITĀB FĪ AḤKĀM AL-QIRĀ'AT WA'T-TAJWĪD.]

A work on the correct reading of the Qurān.

Author: Ahmad bin Aḥmad an-Najjārī النجاری احمد بن احمد. He flourished in the earlier part of the 10th century of the Hījrah.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذى انزل كتابه القرآن على نبيه محمد افضل ولد عدنان صلى الله عليه وعلى آله واصحابه السادة الاعيان صلاة وسلاما دائمين على ممر الدهور والازمان وبعد فيقول العبد الفقير المعترف بالعجز والتقصير الراجى عفوره القدير احمد بن احمد النجارى النعم *

The following colophon, dated the 15th Sha'bān, A.H. 926=A.D. 1520, suggests that the present is an autograph copy:—

و كان الفراغ من كتابته خامس عشر شعبان المبارك سنة ست و عشرين و تسعمائة و الحمد لله و حدة و صلى الله على سيدنا محمد و على آله و صحبه و سلم تسليما كثيرا و ذلك بخط مؤلفه احمد بن احمد النجارى *

Four flyleaves at the end contain an appendix, treating of زائدة (the letter *yā*, redundant in reading) according to the method of Abū 'Amr bin al-'Alā' (d. A.H. 154=A.D. 771).

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with all the vowel-points. Several folios seem to be wanting after foll. 1 and 8.

Dated the 15th Sha'bân, A.H. 926=A.D. 1520.

No. 1305.

fol. 153; lines 25; size $6\frac{1}{4} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$; $5 \times 2\frac{3}{4}$.

(Three separate works bound together.)

fol. 1^b-8.

I.

المقصد لتلخيص ما فى المرشد

AL-MAQṢAD LITALKHÎṢ
MÂFI'L-MURSHID.

An index of the pauses (وقف) to be observed in reading the Quranic text.

Author: Zainaddîn Abû Yahyâ Zakariyâ bin Muhammad al-Anṣârî زكريا بن محمد الانصارى (d. A.H. 926=A.D. 1520; see Lib. Cat., vol. xiii, No. 921)

Beginning:—

قال سيدنا و مولانا الحمد لله على آلائه و الصلاة على
سيدنا محمد و آله و اصفياؤه و بعد فهذا مختصر المرشد فى الوقف و
الابتداء الذى افقه العلامة ابو محمد الحسن بن علي بن سعيد العمادى
رحمه الله تعالى و قد التزم ان يورد فيه جميع ما اورده اهل هذا الفن و انا
اذكر مقصود ما فيه مع زيادة بيان محل النزول و زيادة اخرى غالبها عن
ابى عمرو عثمان بن سعيد المقرئ *

The author tells us here that he abridged the present work from *Al-Murshid* of Abû Muḥammad al-Ḥasan bin 'Alî bin Sa'îd al-'Ummânî (see Hâf. Khal., vol. v, p. 493), with certain additions derived from other works, especially from that of Abû 'Amr 'Uṣmân bin Sa'îd ad-Dânî (d. A.H. 444=A.D. 1053).

For other copies see Berlin, No. 564; Leyden, No. 1645; and Râmpûr, p 55.

The work has been printed at Bûlâq, A.H. 1282.

Written in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red.

Dated Friday, the 15th Šafar, A.H. 1155=A.D. 1742.

Scribe : مصطفى بن أحمد بن سميا الادابي.

fol. 88^b-127^b

II.

تکفة النبلاء بقراءة ابي عمرو بن العلاء

TUHFAT AN-NUBALÂ' BIQIRÂ'AT ABÎ 'AMR BIN AL-'ALÂ'.

A work on the readings of the Quranic text which are peculiar to Abû 'Amr bin al-'Alâ' (d. A.H. 154=A.D. 771).

Author: Muḥammad bin Muḥiyaddîn an-Namirah محمد بن محيى. He flourished towards the end of the 11th century of the Hijrah.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي هدانا لهذا الذي كنا لنهتدي لولاه ووفقنا لتلاوته و اوجب احكام
بجويده على كل من اراد الشروع في قراءته و بعد فيقول
فليل البضاعة من العلم والمعرفة و الراجي من الكريم الفتح ان يعينه
و يسعفه محمد بن محيى الدين الزمعة نزيل مكة المشرفة الخ *

The author tells us in the preface that, in A.H. 1098=A.D. 1687, some pupils of his, who were leaving Mecca for their home in Aleppo, requested him to write the present work, which he composed at the shrine of the celebrated saint Shaikh Muḥiyaddin Ibn al-'Arabî (d. A.H. 638=A.D. 1240).

The work is divided into two *Faṣl* and two *Bâb* as follows:—

Faṣl I. Fol. 89^a. الفصل الاول من الفصلين في حكم ما قاله الائمة

الاعلام ومشائخ الاسلام من وجوب نعلبم احكام
التجويد على كل من اراد ان يقرأ من الانام
و تعرب قراءته لشي من القرآن من غير احكام *

Faṣl II. Fol. 90^a. الفصل الثاني في ما وضعه ائمة القراء اهل

الاتقان والبيان من مخارج الحروف والصفات
و فواعد احكام تجويد قراءة القرآن *

Bâb I. Fol. 94¹. الباب الاول في بيان اصول قراءة ابي عمرو بن العلاء

Bâb II. Fol. 99^a. الباب الثاني في فرش الحروف

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in Arabian Naskh; with some marginal notes.

Dated the first Du'l-Hijjah, A.H. 1154=A.D. 1742.

Scribe: عبد المطلب بن الشيخ مصطفى الزبادة.

The title-page contains a poem by a certain Muḥammad al-Hanbalī, who traces his *Isnād* (chain of successive teachers) to the author of the present work, An-Namirah. The poem begins thus:—

فرغت من ذى التحفة السنية معرون من الطافه خفية

foll. 129^a–153^b.

III.

قرة العين

QURRAT AL-'AIN.

A treatise on *Fathah* (which is sounded in Arabic like “a”) and *Imālah* (giving to *Fathah* a sound like that of the vowel *Kasrah*), by Abu'l-Baqā' 'Alī bin 'Uṣmān bin Muḥammad bin Aḥmad bin al-Hasan al-Qāṣih al-'Uḍrī al-Baghdādī بن محمد بن عثمان بن أحمد بن الحسن القاصح العذري البغدادي (see No. 1292 above).

Beginning:—

قال الشيخ الامام العالم العلامة شيخنا ابو البقاء علي بن عثمان بن محمد بن احمد بن الحسن القاصح العذري رحمه الله تعالى اما بعد حمد الله رب العالمين فان هذه رسالة سميتها قرة العين النخ *

Written in Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red.

Dated A.H. 1154=A.D. 1742.

Scribe: عبد المطلب بن الشيخ مصطفى الزبادة.

Two flyleaves, at the end, contain miscellaneous notes and extracts from other works. Foll. 85^a–87^a are blank. Fol. 87^b contains a short poem on *الاضافة*. Fol. 1^b contains the signature of a certain Aḥmad bin 'Umar Āfindī, to whom the MS. once belonged. Seals of As-Sayyid Aḥmad and As-Sayyid Amīn Ja'fari are found in the margins of foll. 2^a and 3^a.

No. 1306.

fol. 10; lines 25; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5$; $7 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

ترجمة المستفيدين

TARJAMAT-AL-MUSTAFÎD.

A short treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân.

By Qâdî Jamâladdîn Muḥammad bin ‘Umar bin Mubârak bin ‘Abdallâh bin ‘Alî al-Ḥimyarî ash-Shâfi‘î, commonly called Bahraq al-Ḥaḍramî فاضى جمال الدين محمد بن عمر بن مبارك بن عبد الله بن علي بن عبد الحمري الشافعي الشهير بدعوق الحضرمي. He was born at Ḥaḍramout on the night of the 15th Sha‘bân, A.H. 869=A.D. 1465. After receiving his early education at home from several scholars, including Muḥammad bin Ahmad Bâḡarfîl ad-Daw‘ânî (d. A.H. 903=A.D. 1498), he travelled to Aden, where he studied grammar, law, theology, and other branches of learning under ‘Abdallâh bin Ahmad Makhrimah and Muhammad bin Ahmad Bâfaḍl (d. A.H. 903=A.D. 1498). Afterwards, he visited Zabîd, where he attended the lectures of Jamâladdîn Muḥammad bin Abî Bakr aṣ-Ṣâ‘ig (d. A.H. 920=A.D. 1514). He also took lessons in Sûfism from Ḥusain al-Aḥdal (d. A.H. 903=A.D. 1498) and Shaikh Abû Bakr bin ‘Abdallâh al-Aidarûs Bâ‘alawî (d. A.H. 914=A.D. 1509; see An-Nûr as-Sâfir, fol. 40^a). In A.H. 894=A.D. 1489 he made a pilgrimage to Mecca, where he heard traditions from Shamsaddîn Muḥammad bin ‘Abdarrahmân as-Sakhbâwî (d. A.H. 902=A.D. 1497). After finishing his education, he engaged himself in writing books. He was a prolific writer. Besides the present work, the following compositions of his are enumerated in An-Nûr as-Sâfir (fol. 74^a):—

1. نصرة الحضرة الشافعية الاحمدية بسيرة الحضرة النونية الاحمدية.
2. مخدصر الفرعوب والفرعوب للمندري.
3. الاسرار النونية في اختصار الاذكار النونية.
4. عقد الدرر في الامان بالعضاء.
5. العبدقة الانبقة في شرح العروة الوثيقة.
6. و القدر الحسام المسلول.
7. العقد الثمين في ابطال القول بالتقبيح والتحسين.
8. على منقضى اصحاب الرسول العبدقة الشافعية في شرح العبدقة الياغية.
9. حلقة البنات و البنين.
10. العواشي المفيدة على ابواب البافعي في العقيدة.
11. ذخيرة الاخوان المختصر من كتاب الاستغناء.
12. في ما يحتاج اليه من امرالدين.
13. النبذة المتخذة من كتاب الاوائل للعسكري.
14. بالقرآن.

متعة الاسماع باحكام السماع المختصر من كتاب الامتناع. 14. ملك الملوك
; النذرة المختصرة في معرفة الخصال المكفرة للدنوب المقدمة و المؤخرة. 15.
رسالة في الحساب. 17. مواهب القدوس في مناقب ابن العديروس. 16.
شرح الملحة للحربى. 20. منظومة في الطب. 19. رسالة في الفلك. 18
. شرح لامنة ابن مالك في التصريف. 21.

Our author was appointed Qâdî of Shihṛ (a town in Yemen); but subsequently he resigned the post, and made a visit to Aden, where he was held in great honour by Amîr Marjân. After the death of the Amîr, he visited India, where Muzaffar Shâh II (A.H. 917-932 = A.D. 1511-1525), the King of Gujârât, received him with marks of esteem. He died at Ahmadâbâd on the night of the 20th Sha'bân, A.H. 930 = A.D. 1524. The dates of his death given by Brock., vol. I, p. 248, and by Rieu, Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 1056, are both incorrect. For further particulars of the author's life see An-Nûr as-Sâfir foll. 72^b-77^a.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين وصلى الله و سام على افضل المخلوقين
..... اما بعد فهذه ترجمة المستفيد لمعاني مقدمة التجويد الخ *

The treatise is divided into ten chapters, each called a *Fasl*, as detailed below:—

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| (i) | فصل في مخارج الحروف |
| (ii) | فصل في صفات الحروف |
| (iii) | فصل في التجويد |
| (iv) | فصل في احكام النون الساكنة و الدنوين |
| (v) | فصل في بيان اقسام المد |
| (vi) | فصل في معرفة محل الوقف والابتداء |
| (vii) | فصل في المقطوع و الموصول |
| (viii) | فصل في هاء التانيث |
| (ix) | فصل في همزة الوصل |
| (x) | فصل في كيفية الوقف |

No other copy of the treatise is known.

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red, within double red-ruled borders. It appears, from the original pagination of the

MS., that foll. 2 and 9, which should come in their proper order, have been misplaced in binding after foll. 8 and 1, respectively.

Not dated; probably 18th century

No. 1307.

foll. 20; lines 21; size $9\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{3}{4}$; 7×4 .

بغية المرتاد لتصحيح الضاد

BUĞYAT AL-MURTÂD LITAŞHÎH
AD-DÂD.

A treatise on the correct pronunciation of the letter ض (d), by Nûraddîn 'Alî bin Muḥammad bin Khalîl bin Muḥammad bin Muḥammad bin Ibrâhîm bin Mûsâ bin Ġânim bin 'Alî, commonly called Ibn Ġânim al-Maqdisî al-Kḥazrajî al-Ḥanafî نور الدين على بن محمد بن محمد بن ابراهيم بن موسى بن عانم بن على الشهير بابن خليل بن محمد بن محمد بن ابراهيم بن موسى بن عانم المقدسى الخرجى الحنفى, a great doctor of the Hanafi law. He belonged to the tribe of Al-Kḥazraj. His forefathers were natives of Jerusalem; but he was born at Cairo in A. H. 920=1514. He received his education from several eminent scholars of his native city and of other places, including Shaikh al-Islâm Aḥmad bin Yaḥyâ al-Harawî (d. A. H. 916=A. D. 1510), the great-grandson of the celebrated theologian of Timûr's time, Sa'daddîn Mas'ûd bin 'Umar at-Taftâzânî (d. A. H. 791=A. D. 1389). Our author mastered the sciences of Qirâ'at, Ḥadiṣ, and jurisprudence; and he filled the post of Principal of the Ashrafiyah College. Subsequently, he was appointed Principal of the college founded by Wazîr Sulaimân Pâshâ, and then Professor of Qurân-reading in the college founded by Sultân Ḥasan. He also held several other distinguished posts, and wrote a large number of works. Besides the present work and those mentioned in Brock., vol. ii, p. 312, the following compositions of his are enumerated in the Khulâsat al-Aṣar (vol. iii, p. 181):—

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| (i) | الرمز شرح نظم الكنز |
| (ii) | شرح الأشداء و النظائر |
| (iii) | الشمعة فى احكام الجمعة |

His pupil, Al-Kḥafâjî, in the Raiḥânat al-Alibba', fol. 166^a, speaks of him in very high terms, and describes him as a man of great piety and vast learning, an illustrious poet, and an author

and teacher of the highest reputation, sought by pupils from far and near. He performed the pilgrimage to Mecca twice, and thrice visited Jerusalem. He died at Cairo on the night of Saturday, the 28th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1004=A.D. 1595. See *Khulâṣat al-Aṣṣar*, vol. iii, pp. 180-185; *Raiḥânat al-Alibbâ'*, fol. 166^a; *'Iqd al-Jawâhir*, fol. 14^a; Brock., vol. ii, p. 312; and *Tâj at-Ṭabaqât*, vol. xi, fol. 10^a.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي وفق للنطق الفصيح من اراد و وقف عن الحق
الصريح من لزم العناد و الصلاة و السلام على سيدنا محمد افصح من نطق
ابالضاد و بعد فيقول المفتقر الى الغنى الجواد علي بن غام
المقدسي الحنفى الاعتقاد الخ *

The author tell us, in his preface, that he composed the present work because of the prevalent ignorance in Cairo regarding the correct pronunciation of the letter ض (ḍ).

The work ends on fol. 14^a, with the following colophon:—

هذا ما تيسر لى من التعليق مع فلة الراد فى هذا الطريق و كتبه
موجبات التعويق و مراعات الايجاز و مجانبة التطويل و حسبنا الله و نعم
الوكيل تمت الرسالة *

The colophon is followed by a further discussion on the letter ض, evidently by some other writer.

Another copy of the work is noticed in Berlin, No. 7025. See also Hâj. Khal., vol. ii, p. 61.

Written in fair Naskh.

Not dated; probably 19th century.

The title-page contains a poem in praise of the present work, by Mawlâ Ibn al-Bustân (the son of Muṣṭafâ bin Pîr Muhammad, better known as Bustân Afîndî, who died in A.H. 977=A.D. 1569; see Brock., vol. ii, p. 448). The poem was addressed to a certain Qâḍî of Cairo, as appears from the following heading:—

تقرِّظ المولى بن البستان انسده قاضيا بالقاهرة *

The first verse of the poem runs thus:—

كتاب كامل الارشاد هادى الى حرز الامانى و الرشاد

No. 1308.

fol. 72; lines 15; size 8×5 : 6×3 .

[رسالة في الوقف]

[RISÂLAH FI'L-WAQF.]

A treatise containing a list of pauses to be observed in reading the Quranic text, according to the system of Muḥammad bin Ṭaifûr as-Sajâwandî (*d.* A.H. 560=A.D. 1165). It is in the nature of an abridgment of the standard work of As-Sajâwandî, who is quoted on fol. 23^a.

The author's name cannot be traced.

The MS. is defective at the beginning; but only one folio from the preface, which is in Persian, seems to be wanting. It opens abruptly thus:—

بدانکه در قرآن بفتح هزار و نود و هشت وقف است از انجمله ده
وقف عفوانست چنانکه رسول [الله] صلی الله علیه و سلم فرموده است من
عمن ای ان یقف علی عشر مواضع فی القرآن ضمنت له بالجنة
..... سورة الفاتحة الكتاب سبع آیات مکبة بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم
العالمین ۞ الرحیم ۞ الدین ۞ الخ *

Fol 7 should come at the beginning.

Written in fair Naskh; with some marginal notes.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1309.

fol. 432; lines 21; size $9 \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{3}{4}$.

منار الهدى فى الوقف و الابتداء

MANÂR AL-HUDÂ FI'L-WAQF
WA'L-IBTIDÂ'.

An index of the pauses to be observed in reading the Qurân, arranged according to Sûrahs, giving the beginning of each verse, and stating the class of stop employed in every case.

Author: Aḥmad bin 'Abdalkarîm bin Muḥammad bin 'Abdalkarîm al-Aḥmûnî احمد بن عبد الكريم بن محمد بن عبد الكريم الاشمونى. He

flourished towards the end of the 11th century of the Hijrah. See Berlin, No. 8690, iii.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذى نور قلوب اهل القرآن بذور معرفته توفيرا وكسيرا
وجوههم من اشراق ضياء بهجته نورا وجعلهم خاصة احبابه اكراما لهم وتوفيرا
..... اما بعد فيقول العبد الفقير القايم على قدم العجز والتقصير
الراجي عفو ربه القدير احمد بن الشيخ عبد الكريم بن الشيخ محمد بن الشيخ
عبد الكريم عامل الله الجميع بفضلہ العميم النخ *

After a very modest preface, the author gives certain miscellaneous matter which, he says, would be useful to readers of the Qurân. This is divided into two *Fâ'idah* and fourteen *Tanbih*.

The work ends with a prayer, followed by some stories relating to the piety of the author's father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

The work has been twice printed, viz., in Bûlâq, A.H. 1286; and in Cairo, A.H. 1307.

Written in Arabian Naskh; with some marginal notes. It appears, from the original pagination of the MS., that foll. 422-428, which should come in their proper order, have been misplaced in binding after fol. 431.

Dated the 19th Shawwal, A.H. 1248=A.D. 1832.

Scribe: يوسف بن حسن الشيكشي

No. 1310.

foll. 16; lines 21; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6$; 6×4 .

(Two separate works bound together.)

foll. 1^b-14^a.

I.

بيان المشكلات

BAYÂN AL-MUSHKILÂT.

A treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by Mullâ Husain bin Iskandar al-Hanafî ملا حسين بن اسكندر الحنفى.

The full title of the work, as given in the preface, is as follows:—

بيان المشكلات على المبتدئين من جهة التجويد فى القرآن
المبين *

The author wrote several works on the Ḥanafī law and theology, and flourished in the latter part of the 11th century of the Hijrah. See Brock., vol. ii, pp. 326 and 435.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي جعلنا من التالين لكتابه الذي اورثه من اصطفاة
من عبادة و احبابه نسأله بفضله و مئته جزيل ثوابه و صلاته و سلامه على
خير خلقه محمد و آله و اصحابه و بعد فقد شرعت فى كتابة نكات
يسيرات فى بيان معرفة الممدودات و المقصورات التي فى كتاب الله
ذى المن و الانعامات النخ *

The work treats of the *Hurûf al-Madd* (prolongation), the *Makhârij al-Hurûf* (articulation), the *Idgâm* (coalescence in pronunciation of two identical or similar letters), and the *Waqf* (pause or stop).

For other copies see Br. Mus. Suppl., No. 96; Cairo, vol. vii, p. 27; and Râmpûr, p. 45.

fol. 14^b–16^b.

II.

تحفة نجباء العصر

TUḤFATU NUJABÂ' AL-'AŞR.

A tract dealing with *An-Nûn as-Sâkinah* (the quiescent *Nûn*), the *Tanwîn* (nasal vowels), the *Hurûf al-Madd* (prolongation) and *Al-Hâ' as-Sâkinah* (the quiescent *Hâ'*).

The title of the work and the name of the author are not found in the MS; but the tract is identical with *تحفة نجباء العصر فى احكام النون* by the same Mullâ Ḥusain bin Iskandar al-Ḥanafī, a copy of which is noticed in Râmpûr, p. 45.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين و الصلوة و السلام على سيد المرسلين محمد
و آله و صحبه اجمعين اما بعد فهذه الرسالة تتعلق بتجويد القرآن باب احكام
النون الساكنة و التنوين النخ *

Written in fair Naskh, with occasional rubrics.

Dated Friday, the 1st Rajab, A.H. 1169=A.D. 1756

Scribe: أحمد.

No. 1311.

fol. 8; lines 21; size $8 \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

الرسالة المختصرة فى التجويد

AR-RISÂLAT AL-MUKHTAŞARAH FI'T-TAJWÎD.

A short treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by
• the same Mullâ Husain bin Iskandar al-Ḥanafî.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين والصلاة والسلام على سيد المرسلين وعلى
آله وصحبه اجمعين يقول العبد الفقير الى مولاه الغنى منلا حسين بن
اسكندر الحنفى عامله الله بلطفه الخفى اعلم بان معرفة التجويد من
اهم المهمات وهو فرض فال ابن الجزري الاخذ بالتجويد حتم لازم الخ *

At the end, the author refers to his preceding work in the
following words:—

وتفصيل هذه المسئلة وسائر مسائل هذه الرسالة مبسوط فى كتابي
المسمى ببيان المشكلات فى التجويد *

Written in Arabian Naskh, with occasional rubrics.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1312.

fol. 16; lines 21; size $8 \times 5\frac{3}{4}$; 6×4 .

لباب التجويد للقرآن المجيد

LUBÂB AT-TAJWÎD LI'L-QURÂN AL-MAJÎD.

A commentary by Mullâ Husain bin Iskandar al-Ḥanafî on his
own work, entitled *Ar-Risâlat al-Mukhtaşarah* (No. 1311 above).

Beginning:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين و الصلاة والسلام على سيدنا محمد و على
آله و صحبه اجمعين يقول العبد الفقير الى مولاه الغنى مثلا حسين بن
اسكندر الكنفى عامله الله ناطقه الخفى و بعد فقد استخرت الله تعالى
في وضع شرح مختصر على رسالتى المختصرة فى التجويد و ازيد فيه
ان شاء الله تعالى فوائد لطيفة جايلة من زلة القارى و مسائل شتى و غير
ذلك و سميته لباب التجويد للقرآن المجيد النج *

The work was composed, as stated by the author at the end, in
Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1065=A.D. 1655.

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No. 531.

Written in fair Arabian Naskh, with quotations from the text in
red.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

No. 1313.

fol. 244; lines 7; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$; $5 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$.

[كتاب فى الوقف]

[KITÂB FI'L-WAQF.]

An index of the pauses to be observed in reading the Qurân
based on the *Kitâb al-Waqf Wa'l-Ibtidâ'* of Abû Ja'far Muḥammad
bin Ṭaifûr as-Safâwandî (d. A.H. 560=A.D. 1165).

The title of the work and the author's name are not known. In
a note on the title-page, the work is wrongly ascribed to As-
Safâwandî, who is referred to in the preface in terms used of the dead,
thus:—

و الامام الاجل صدر الاسلام شمس العارفين امام الزمان ابو جعفر بن
طيفور السجائندى قدس الله روحه وضع الوقف على خمس مراتب وعلى
كل مرتبة اقام برهانا قاطعا و دليلا و اضحا *

Beginning:—

الحمد حمدا يكافى نعمه و يمتري مزيدة بعد فاعلم ان
الاهم لقارى القرآن علم [الفصل] و الوصل لان فهم المعنى يفقر اليه و علماء
المعانى و البيان رحمهم الله جعلوا هذا العلم نهاية النج *

Following As-Safâwahdî, the author divides stops into five classes, viz., (i) المزم (ii) المطلق (iii) الجائر (iv) المجوز; and (v) المرخص.

The main body of the work is arranged according to Sûrahs, giving the end of each verse, and stating the class of stop employed in every case.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in fair Naskh; with some marginal and interlinear notes.

Foll. 238-241 are worm-eaten.

Dated the 6th Ramaqlân, A.H. 1109=A.D. 1698.

Scribe: حافظ عدد الشكور.

No. 1314.

fol. 62; lines 13; size 6 × 4; 5 × 2½

غنية الطالبين ومنية الراغبين

GUNYAT AT-TÂLIBÎN WA MUNYAT AR-RÂĠIBÎN.

A treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by Muhammad bin Qâsim bin Ismâ'îl al-Baqarî a-h-Shâfi'î قاسم بن قاسم محمد بن قاسم بن اسمعيل البقرى الشافعى (d. A.H. 1111=A.D. 1699); for some account of whom see No. 1267 above.

Beginning:—

يقول الفقير المعترف بتقصيره الحمد لله على احسانه و
اشهد ان لا اله الا الله وحده لا شريك له تعظيما لشانه النج *

The author tells us, in the preface, that he wrote this treatise at the request of some of his friends, dividing it into fifteen *Bâb* and a *Khâtimah*, as follows:—

- I. Fol. 2^b. الباب الاول فى مخارج الحروف و صفاها
- II. Fol 8^a. الباب الثانى فى بيان التجويد و موضوعة و عانته
- III. Fol. 11^a. الباب الثالث فى بيان كل كلمه يجب المحافظه
عليها لصعوبتها على الناظر بها *
- IV. Fol. 11^b. الباب الرابع فى بيان احكام الرء و اللام
- V. Fol. 13^b. الباب الخامس فى بيان المثلثين المقارنين و
المتجانسين من الكلمات التى يجب الادعام فيها
لجميع القراء *

- VI. Fol. 14^a. الداء السادس في بيان اللام القمرية و الشمسية و لام
الفعل *
- VII. Fol. 15^b. الداء السابع في بيان الظاء من الضاد و حروف
نقع بعد الضاد و الظاء *
- VIII. Fol. 19^b. الداء الثامن في بيان احكام النون الساكنة و
التنوين و المدم الساكنة *
- IX. Fol. 23^b. الباب التاسع في بيان المد و القصر
- X. Fol. 26^b. الباب العاشر في بيان الوقف و الانداء
- XI. Fol. 32^a. الداء الحادي عشر في بيان هاء الضمير و الدداة
بهمزة الوصل *
- XII. Fol. 33^b. الداء الثاني عشر في بيان الوقف على اواخر الكلم
من روم و اشعاع و غير ذلك *
- XIII. Fol. 36^b. الباب الثالث عشر في بيان حكم الوقف على لا و كلا
- XIV. Fol. 41^a. الداء الرابع عشر في بيان من امر بكثافة المصاحف
و من كتبها و عدة المصاحف التي كتبت *
- XV. Fol. 47^a. الداء الخامس عشر في بيان المقطوع و الموصول
الخاتمة في بيان كلمات كتبت بالتاء المجزورة و في
جملة من المرسوم *

Another copy of the work is noticed in Cairo, vol. i, p. 111.

Written in fair Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1315.

fol. 9; lines 23; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

بيان الصحيح والمعتمد

BAYÂN AŞ-ŞAHÎH WA'L-MU'TAMAD.

A pamphlet on the subject of pausing at the letter ء (Hamzah), after the method of Ḥamzah bin Ḥabīb az-Zayyât (d. A.H. 156=A.D. 773; see *Tabaqât al-Qurrâ'* by Aḍ-Ḍahabî, fol. 22^a); based on the *Hirz al-Amânî* of Ash-Shâṭibî (No. 1221 above) and the *Kitâb an-Nashr* of Al-Jazari (No. 1243 above).

Author: Shamsaddîn Abû 'Abdallâh Muḥammad bin Salâmah bin 'Abdaljawwâd, commonly called Abi's-Su'ûd Ibn Abi'n-Nûr ad-Dimyâtî aṣ-Ṣakhrî ash-Shâfi'î شمس الدين ابو عبد الله محمد بن سلامة بن عبد الجواد الشهير بابي السعود ابن ابي النور الدميطي الصغرى الشافعي. He was born at Ṣakhrîyah in A.H. 1047=A.D. 1637. After receiving his early education at home from Shaikh Jalâladdîn Muḥammad bin 'Umar al-Fâriskûrî (d. A.H. 1057=A.D. 1647; see *Khulâṣat al-Aṣar*, vol. iv, p. 82) and Muṣṭafâ at-Tilyânî, he travelled to Cairo to complete his studies under two well-known scholars, viz., (i) Sultân bin Aḥmad al-Mazzâhî (d. A.H. 1075=A.D. 1664) and (ii) Yâsîn al-Himṣî (d. A.H. 1061=A.D. 1651). Our author made himself known as a great Qârî, and wrote several works on Qirâ'at, Tajwid and other branches of Muhammadan literature. He died at Cairo, on Wednesday, the 16th Jumâdâ II, A.H. 1117=A.D. 1705. See *Silk ad-Durar*, vol. iv, p. 111, and *Tâj at-Tabaqât*, vol. xii, part i, fol 110^a.

The preface, which is written by a disciple of the author, begins thus:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين و افضل الصلاة و اتم التسليم على اشرف
المرسلين و بعد فهذه اوراق قليلة نفعا كبيرا و الاحتياج اليها كثير
في بيان الصحيح و المعتمد المقروء به من طريق الحوز للامام حمزة عذ
الوفف على الهمة تلخيص شيخنا شمس الدين ابي عبد
الله محمد الدميطي بلدا الشافعي مدهبا الشهير نسبة بالسنيخ ابي السعود
[ابن] ابي النور النعم *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1316.

fol. 20 ; lines 22 ; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

رسالة في مشكلات القراءات

RISÂLAH FÎ MUSHKILÂT AL-QIRÂ'ÂT.

A short treatise dealing with some difficult points in the correct reading of the Qurân, by Abu's-Su'ûd Aḥmad bin 'Umar al-Isqâṭî al-Ḥanafî الاسقاطي الحنفي (d. A.H. 1159 = A.D. 1746); for some account of whom see No. 1301 above.

Beginning :—

يقول العبد الفقير الى عفو ربه الجلى و الخفى احمد بن عمر
الاسقاطي الكنفى نحمدك اللهم حمدا كافيا في تيسير الهداية
و نهاية الارشاد الخ *

The author tells us, in the preface, that he wrote this treatise in answer to some questions put to him by Al-Wazîr 'Abdallâh bin Muṣṭafâ bin Muḥammad.

The work is divided into 43 *Mas'alah* (questions). The answer to each question is distinguished by the word الجواب.

The colophon reads thus :—

تمت الرسالة المسماة بالاسئلة للاستاذ الاعظم و المحقق الافخم استاذ
استاذنا العلامة الاسقاطى نفعنا الله بامداداته و اعاد علينا و على المسلمين
من وابل نفعاته *

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

No. 1317.

fol. 125; lines 12-24; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 7$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 5$.

(Eight separate works bound together.)

fol. 1^a-10^b.

I.

رسالة ترتيل القرآن

RISÂLAH TARTÎL AL-QURÂN.

A treatise on the correct reading of the Qurân, by Abû Sa'îd Muḥammad bin Muṣṭafâ bin 'Uṣmân al-Khâdimî al-Qâdimî ابو سعيد محمد بن مصطفى بن عثمان الخادمي القادمي, a Sûfî belonging to the Naqshbandiyah order. He died in A.H. 1168 = A.D. 1754. See Brock., vol. ii, p. 351

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي جعلنا من اهل القرآن و جعل تلاوته و ترتيله افضل طاعة اهل الايمان و بعد فلما كان قراءة القرآن افضل الطاعات على الاطلاق بالاتفاق و قد كان رعاية آدابه و شرائط ترتيله كالشريعة المنسوخة فى الاقطار و الاتفاق بدلت وسعي بجميع ما يتعلق بذلك من الكتب المعتبرة النح *

For the contents of the work see Berlin, No 533

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Not dated; probably 17th century.

fol. 13^a.

II.

حكاية مريم الصائمة مع عبد الله

HIKÂYAT MARYAM AS-SÂMITAH
MA'A 'ABDALLÂH.

An anecdote regarding a certain Maryam and her replies to the questions of 'Abdallâh bin al-Mubârak.

Beginning:—

قال عبد الله بن المبارك سافنى الحج الى بيت الله تعالى الحرام و زيارة قبر الغيبى صلى الله عليه و سلم قال بينما انا سائر فى الطريق و اذا انا بامرأة عليها مرقعة من شعر النح *

foll. 13^a-19^a.

III.

باب وقف حمزة و هشام على الهمة

BÂB WAQF HAMZAH WA HISHÂM
'ALA'L-HAMZAH.

A tract on the subject of pausing at the letter ء (Hamzah), according to the methods of Hamzah (A.H. 156=A.D. 773) and Hishâm (d. A.H. 245=A.D. 859).

By an anonymous author.

Beginning:—

الحمد لله رب العالمين باب وقف حمزة و هشام على
الهمزة و هو باب مشكل يحتاج الى معرفة تحقيق مذاهب اهل العربية
و احكام رسم المصاحف العثمانية *

The tract is arranged according to Sûrahs of the Qurân.

No other copy of the tract is known.

Written in fair Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1221=A.D. 1873.

foll. 24^a-31^a.

IV.

[كتاب فى التجويد]

[KITÂB FI'T-TAJWÎD.]

A short fragment of a Turkish work on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân. It opens abruptly thus:

ذرات يادن حكمة مد بدل واقع *

foll. 34^b-49^a.

V.

فيوض الاتقان فى وجوه القرآن

FUYÛḌ AL-ITQÂN FÎ WUJÛH
AL-QURÂN.

A treatise on the various readings of the ten eminent Qurân-readers, by Hamdallâh bin Khairaddîn al-Qârî حمد الله بن خير الدين القارى .

Beginning :—

الحمد لله الذي زين السنة القراء بحلقة التلاوة *

In the preface, the author enumerates his previous compositions, as follows :—

- (i) عمدة العرفان في وصف حروف القرآن
- (ii) بيان العاقل الاعيان
- (iii) نظم الجمان في تجويد القرآن
- (iv) رسوم اللسان في حروف القرآن
- (v) تصریح الرموز في القرائات العشرة
- (vi) شرح تصریح الرموز المسمى بشرح المروج

The author's name is not found in the MS.; but as the '*Umdat al-'Irġān fī Waṣf Hurūf al-Qurān*' is mentioned as one of his compositions, it is almost certain that he is no other than Ḥamdallāh bin Khairaddīn, a distinguished Qārī of Constantinople, who held the post of Khatīb in the Ayâ Şûfiyah Mosque in the time of Sulţān Sulaimān I (A. H. 926-974 = A. D. 1520-1566). See Hāġ. Kĥal., vol. iv, p. 261, and Brock., vol. ii, p. 438.

In the beginning the author explains the terms and abbreviations he has made use of in this work, and arranges the rest according to Sūrah's of the Qurān.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in cursive Naskh.

Not dated ; probably 17th century.

fol. 50^a-50^b.

VI.

شرح المقدمة الجزرية

SHARĤ AL-MUQADDIMAT AL-JAZARĪYAH.

One *Faṣl* from the commentary on *Al-Muqaddimat al-Jazarīyah*, by Khālid bin 'Abdallāh al-Azhari (d. A. H. 905 = A. D. 1499), dealing with the correct pronunciation of the letters of the Arabic alphabet.

Beginning :—

كتاب شرح الجزرية في ما يجب معرفة المقرية تأليف الشيخ الإمام العالم العلامة الشيخ خالد بن عبد الله الأزهرى المعروف بنفسه بالواد
فصل في بيان صفات حروف الهجائية *

For other copies see Berlin, No. 515; Gotha, Nos. 565-6; Leyden, No. 1643; Escur., No. 521, v; and Bodl., vol. ii, No. 232, iv.

Written in Arabian Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1144=A.D. 1732.

foll. 52^b-60^a.

VII.

باب وقف حمزة وهشام على الهمزة

BÂB WAQF ḤAMZAH WA HISHÂM
'ALA'L-ḤAMZAH.

Another copy of the third treatise, beginning as the other.
Written in rough Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1173=A.D. 1760.

Scribe : عمر بن نصوح.

foll 60^b-125^a.

VIII

قرة العين

QURRAT AL-'AIN.

A treatise on the *Fathah* and *Imâlah*, by Ibn Qâsiḥ al-'Uḍrî
(d. A.H. 801=A.D. 1398). See No 1292 above.

Beginning :—

قال ابو البقاء على بن عثمان بن محمد بن الحسين العدري اما بعد
حمد الله رب العالمين والصلوة والسلام على سيدنا محمد خاتم النبيين و
آله وصحبه اجمعين فان هذه سميتها قرة العين و جمعت فيها المشهور من
الفتح و الامالة و بين اللفظين الخ *

Written in fair Naskh, with the headings in red.

Dated A.H. 1174=A.D. 1761.

Fol. 23^b contains a short extract from the *Tahbîr at-Taisîr* of Al-Jazarî (No. 1220 above). Foll 11^a-12^b, 19^b-23^a, 31^b-34^a, 49^b and 51^a-52^a are blank.

No. 1318.

foll. 12 ; lines 21 ; size $8\frac{3}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$.

غاية الفلاح

ĠĀYAT AL-FALĀḤ.

A pamphlet on the subject of pausing at the letter ء (Hamzah), according to the method of Ḥamzah bin Ḥabīb az-Zayyāt (d. A.H. 156=A.D. 773).

The full title of the work, as given on the title-page, is as follows:—

كتاب غاية الفلاح في وقف حمزة بالوجه الصحيح *

The author does not reveal his name; but from the words: بلعنى الله وانا والمسلمين جميع الاماني (may God fulfil all desires of mine, his and other Muslims!), which are used after the name of 'Abdaljawwād al-Maidānī, who is referred to as one of the commentators on the *Ḥirz al-Amānī* of Ash-Shāṭibī (No. 1221 above), it is evident that the author was a contemporary of 'Abdaljawwād al-Maidānī, who flourished in the latter part of the twelfth century of the Hījrah. The author further states that he learnt Qirā'at from Aḥmad al-Baqarī, a disciple of Muḥammad al-Baqarī (who died in A.H. 1111=A.D. 1699; see Brock., vol. ii, p. 327).

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الكريم المتعال صاحب الجود والانضال و الصلاة و السلام
على سيدنا محمد و الصعب و الال وبعد فقد نص الله ائمة
لفهم قرآنه و خصهم منه بعفوه و غفرانه الخ *

The author tells us, in the preface, that the present pamphlet is really a reproduction of the *Khâtimah* (epilogue) of the *Kitāb an-Nashr* (No. 1243 above), with some additions of his own.

No other copy of the pamphlet is known.

Written in Arabian Naskḥ; with some marginal notes in the same hand as the text.

Not dated; probably 18th century.

No. 1319.

foll. 8; lines 21; size $8\frac{1}{4} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$.

رسالة الند و النشر على الاسئلة العشر

RISĀLAT AN-NADD WA'N-NASHR
'ALA'L-AS'ILAT AL'ASHR.

A pamphlet in which the ten questions, connected with the correct reading of the Qurân, are fully discussed and answered by Muḥammad al-Bulaidi at the instance of his teacher, Shaiḫ Aḥmad al-Baqarî.

Beginning:—

حمدا لك يا من انار فلوبنا بسواطع الآيات و بعد فقد
ورد في هذا الزمان ما تمتحن به الاذهان والمخاطب بها
..... مولانا احمد الامعال ابو السماح البقري لازالت ثمرات التحقيق
تجنى من جذات وجذات علومه و كنت اذ ذاك حاضرا
مجلسه فناولنيه بعد ان تصفحه مشيرا اليّ بالكتابة عليه حين رآه غير
محتاج اليه مع ما فيه من مزيد الاشتغال و اخذتها منه
بقصد الذظر اليها فاتاح الله بما يسره من الكتابة الخ *

The author, whose full name is Muḥammad bin Muḥammad al-Bulaidi al-Maḡribî al-Mâlikî المالكى البلبدى المغربى، was born in A.H. 1096=A.D. 1685, and was a learned doctor of the Mâlikî school. He came from Maḡrib to Egypt, and settled down at Cairo. Of all the masters whose lectures he attended, the most eminent, according to Silk ad-Durar (vol. iv, p. 111), was Muḥammad bin Qâsim bin Ismâ'il al-Baqarî (d. A.H. 1111=A.D. 1699). Besides the present work and those mentioned by Brock., vol. ii, p. 331, he wrote glosses on Al-Baidâwî's commentary on the Qurân and Al-Ashh mûnî's commentary on the *Alfiyah*. He also wrote a large work, describing the manner in which various verses of the Qurân were collected and arranged. He held the post of professor at the Jâmi' al-Azhar, where he delivered lectures on Al-Baidâwî's commentary on the Qurân, which were attended by not less than two hundred students, including the great Sûfî 'Abdalwahrhâb al-'Afîfî (d. A.H. 1172=A.D. 1758). He died at Cairo in A.H. 1176=A.D. 1762. See Silk ad-Durar, vol. iv, p. 110; Tâj at-Tabaqât, vol. xii, part ii, fol. 132^b; and Brock., vol. ii, p. 331.

The questions are introduced with the word قال and the answers with the word قلت.

No other copy of the work is known.

Written during the author's life-time in elegant Arabian Naskh.

Dated A.H. 1134=A.D. 1722.

Scribe : محمد جار الله الخناني المالكي الشاذلي الاشعري.

No. 1320.

fol. 6 ; lines 23 ; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

ارجوزة الاطفال النافعة للنساء و لرجال

URJŪZAT AL-AṬFĀL AN-NĀFI'ATU LINNISĀ'WA'R-RIJĀL.

A pamphlet discussing the rules regarding the letters م and ل, ن.

By As-Sayyid 'Alī, better known as Yasir بن شهر بن سدر, a writer of the 12th century of the Hijrah.

Beginning :—

الحمد لله رب العالمين و بعد فهذه ارجوزة قريبة مرضية
مستتملة على احكام النون الساكنة والتنوين واللام الفعلية و الفمرية و السمسية
و الميم المشددة و النون كذلك و الميم المخففة خالية من مخارج
الحروف و الصفات التي ذكرها علماء القراءات نفعا الله ببركاتهم و
ساذكروها لك بابا بابا لتسهل عليك الخ *

The above quotation will give a clear idea of the contents of the pamphlet, which is divided into seven *Bāb*, as follows :—

1. باب الاستعانة ; 2. باب البسملة ; 3. باب الاظهار ; 4. باب الانقلاب ;
5. باب المد ; 6. باب احوال الميم ; 7. باب الاخفاء ;

The pamphlet was completed, as stated by the author at the end, on Thursday, the 8th Rabī 'II, A.H. 1154=A.D. 1741.

No other copy is known.

Written in fair Arabian Naskh, with the headings in red.

Not dated ; probably 18th century.

Scribe : السيد ابراهيم الزينبي المرنجي.

No. 1321.

foll. 34; lines 27; size $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$; $6\frac{1}{2} \times 4$.

شرح عمدة المفيد

SHARH 'UMDAT AL-MUFÎD.

A commentary on the '*Umdat al-Mufîd Wa 'Uddat al-Mufîd*, a metrical treatise on the correct pronunciation of the Qurân, by 'Alamaddîn Abu'l-Hasan 'Alî bin Muḥammad as-Sakhâwî (d. A.H. 643=A.D. 1245), who composed it on the same lines as the *Qaṣîdah Râ'iyah* of Abû Muzâḥim Mûsâ bin 'Ubaidallâh bin Yahyâ al-Khâqânî (d. A.H. 325=A.D. 936; see Berlin, No. 485).

The commentator's name is not known

Beginning:—

الحمد لله الذي شرفنا بحفظ كتابه ووفقنا لتجويده و اعرابه و صلاته على
من انزل القرآن بلسانه و اختاره لتبليغه و بيانه النح *

The correct title of the text, as given by Hâj. Khal., vol. iv, p. 266, is عمدة المفيد و عدة المعجيد في معرفة لفظ التجويد; but the author of the commentary, in his short prefatory note, entitles it عمدة المعجيد في النظم و التجويد.

Comments on the text are preceded by a *Muqaddimah*, divided into five *Faṣl*, as follows:—

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| I. Fol. 1 ^a . | العصل الاول في تعريف التجويد |
| II. Fol. 2 ^b . | العصل الثاني في مخارج الحروف |
| III. Fol. 3 ^a . | الفصل الثالث في بيان ما يعرف به مخارج الحروف |
| IV. Fol. 3 ^b . | العصل الرابع في صفات الحروف |
| V. Fol. 4 ^b . | الفصل الخامس في انقسام هذه الصفات الى مميز و محسن و ذي قوة و ذي ضعف * |

The colophon reads thus:—

وهذا ما يسره الله عز و جل على هذه القصيدة على سبيل الاختصار و هو بحمد الله و ان صغر حجما فقد كيف و ملأى علما و الله تعالى يجعله وسيلة الى عفوة و غفرانه و سببا الى رحمته و رضوانه انه ارحم الراحمين *

No other copy of the work is known.

Written in cursive Naskh, with quotations from the text in red.

Dated A.H. 1273=A.D. 1855.

Scribe : عمر بن المرحوم احمد الد مہوجي.

Foll. 33^b-34^a contain the following appendices :—

I. An extract from the *Malhamatu Dâniyâl* (see Berlin, No. 5912), dealing with the natural and supernatural accompaniments of the moon-eclipse.

II. An extract from the *Husn al-Muhâdarah* of As-Suyûṭî, dealing with comets.

III A note explaining a question of divorce, based on the saying of Shaiḫ al-Islâm ‘Alî as-Ṣa‘idî al-‘Adawî al-Mâlikî al-Azhari (*d.* A.H. 1189=A.D. 1775; see Silk ad-Durar, vol. iii, p. 206).

